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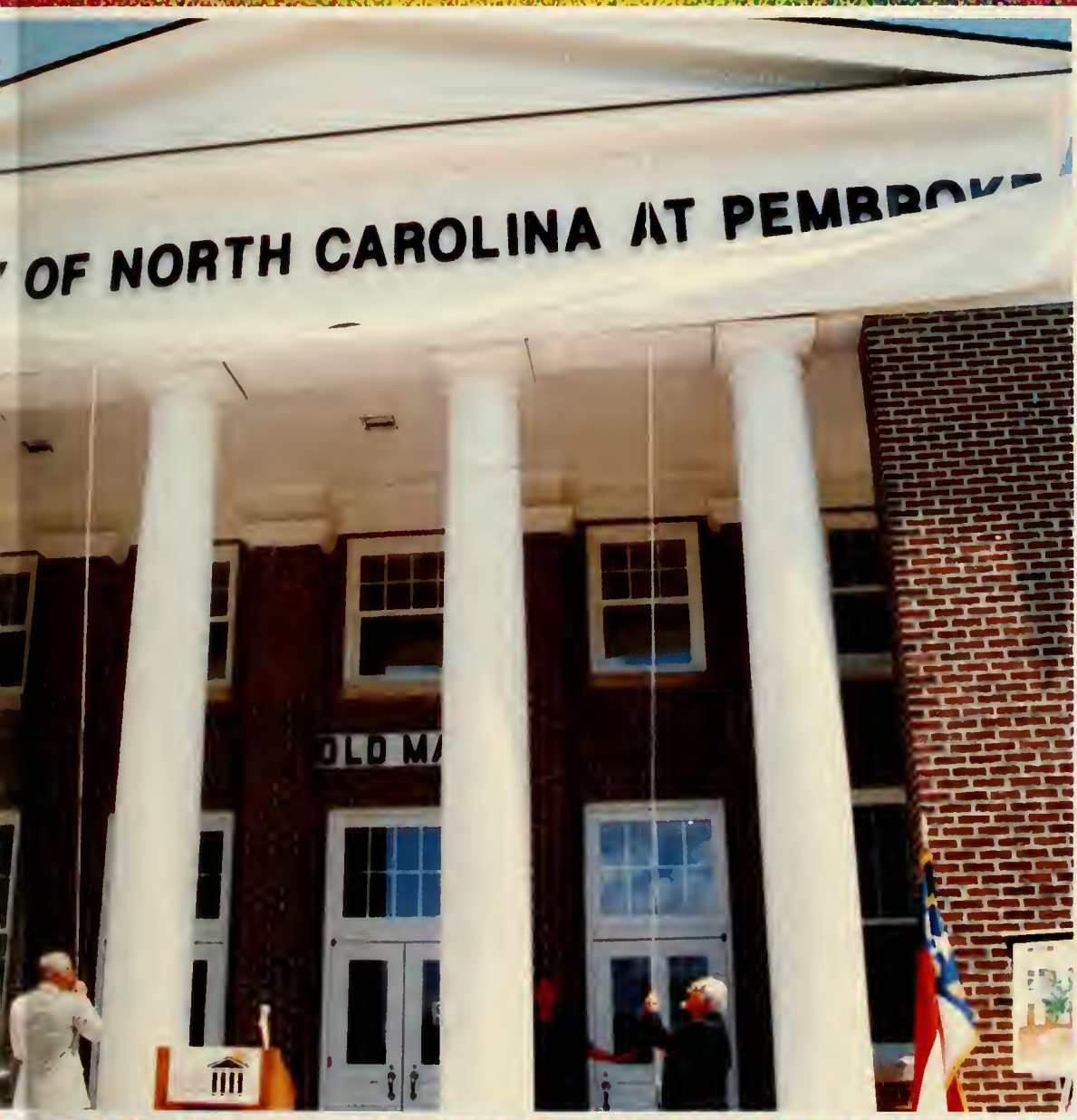
Imagine...

This year, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke marked a new chapter in the history of this institution. During the summer, when the North Carolina Legislature passed into law the change of this university's name from Pembroke State University to UNC Pembroke, we could not have imagined what possibilities the future would hold for us—the students, faculty, staff, and for that matter, the university.

However subtle the change in name may be, that difference has shed a new light on this university, allowing it to be seen for what it is and enabling the students and the university to begin to imagine the endless possibilities that are going to be fulfilled at UNCP.

CHANCELLOR JOSEPH B. OXENDINE and Board of Trustees Chair David Weinstein unveil the university's new name during a celebration held on campus on July 6, 1996.





...the Possibilities

Children go off to school not only to learn their ABCs but to open their eyes and minds. While sitting in kindergarten, a child is handed a blank piece of paper and wonders, What can I draw with it? Then the child realizes that he can draw anything he wants if he just imagines it. For a child to complete her masterpiece she has a box of crayons with a rainbow of colors to choose from—the possibilities are endless.

As time passes by, life takes on a faster pace. The child who was picking the right crayon for a cat in kindergarten becomes a college student learning about "The Road Not Taken" in Robert Frost's poem and must choose his or her road to possibilities.

We all were that child at some point in our lives. And we would not be what we are today if we had not chosen that possibility and imagined what we could do. As John Lennon wrote in a song decades ago, great things occur because someone thought that they were possible; someone imagined.

1997 YEARBOOK EDITORS
Johnnie Winchester and Beverly
Ransome imagine the possibilities
for this year's *Indianhead*.





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The Student Government Association welcomes you to The University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Today we not only celebrate the inception of another academic year, but we likewise face the challenge inherent in historical moments: we must prove ourselves either worthy or unworthy of that moment into which Fate has thrust us.

We cannot make the sun stand still. UNCP must prove that it deserves the title it fought so vigorously to acquire. Let us therefore meet the moment with heroic exertions, resolved that "though we cannot make our sun/Stand still, yet we will make him run."

The Student Government Association is ready to do its part. What is our goal? It is to infuse a new enthusiasm into student life. What is our strategy? It is to fight the enervating spirit of apathy wherever it might lurk on campus. We cannot rest until academic excellence is the rule rather than the exception, until our spectators outnumber our bleachers at athletic events, until this university and the community that nurtured it enjoy the harmonious relationship befitting intimates. And we will not rest until the SGA becomes the students' representative body in fact as well as aspiration.

To the administration, we pledge support for every endeavor likely to benefit this institution. But let the



TREY ALLEN, PRESIDENT of the Student Government Association, addresses the student body and others gathered in the GPAC for the September 4 Fall Convocation. This was the first Convocation since the change to UNC Pembroke. Allen's speech—reprinted here—invoked the challenges as well as the possibilities presented by the university's new name.



administration set the example through its relations with faculty and students and among its own departments.

Let UNCP's faculty present the student body with great expectations. You fail your pupils if you drop the scholastically indifferent through the sieve of graduation. Now, more so than ever, the wages of ignorance are meager.

It is upon you, my fellow students, that the burden of history most heavily weighs. Only when you accept nothing less than the best can you expect nothing less than the best from the scholars and staff employed to serve you. They can, and will, do much to make UNCP worthy of its new name and ancient heritage, but you alone can guarantee the success of our enterprise. Rededicate yourselves, as I must rededicate

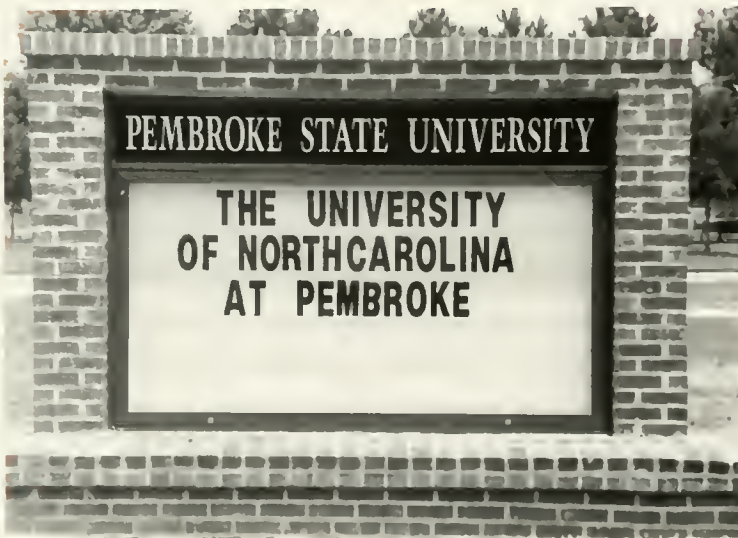
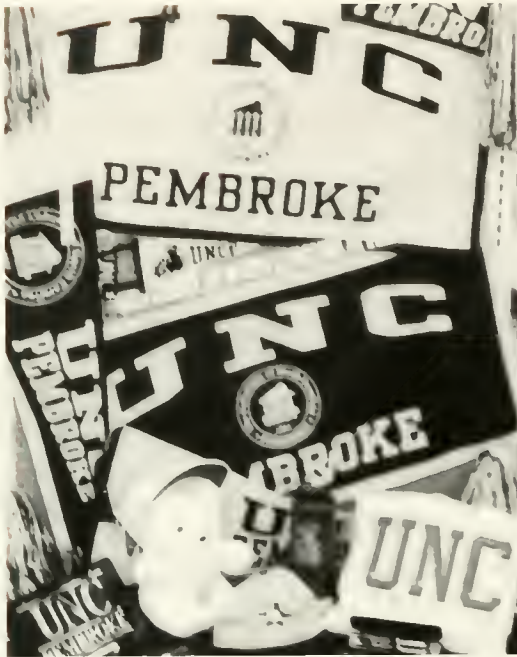
myself, to the pursuit of knowledge and the cultivation of character.

Finally, let all of us unite in common cause. Let old quarrels be lost in the sea of forgetfulness; let resentments be transformed into resolve. Never, since the founding of this institution, have the possibilities been so many. Never has there been so much reason to aim for the stars. The moment is upon us; let us not be found wanting.

UNIVERSITY CENTER DIRECTOR

Warren Love becomes the first of many to purchase one of the new UNCP T-shirts that went on sale in July at the Bookstore.

A WIDE VARIETY of brand-new UNCP merchandise is prepared early for the mad rush at the Bookstore.



THE UNIVERSITY CENTER message board announces the new name that so many students had anxiously awaited. Matt Schmitz commented that the new name "flat out sounds better" and will make UNCP "a powerhouse."

SGAVICE PRESIDENT Kathy Vasilopoulos assists President Trey Allen in cutting a piece of the UNCP cake served to students and others who attended the name change celebration in the University Center on September 11.





What's In a Name?

During the Fall semester the *Indianhead* conducted a survey of the student body's reaction to the name change from PSU to UNCP. A total of 224 students responded, 128 of them returning students and 96 in their first semester at UNCP. The results of the survey are summarized below. Written comments added by some of the students who responded were overwhelmingly positive. Jennifer Watson said she was "very proud to be acknowledged as a student at a UNC school," while Toni Lofton saw the name change as creating a very "positive image for the students and the faculty." Frankie Brown anticipated a "prosperous outlook for the school," and Sue Williford said it had made her even "more *proud* of our university."

Survey Results

Of the 96 students in their first semester at the university who responded, 85 said no and 11 said yes when asked if the name change had any effect on their decision to attend this university. When asked if they were satisfied with the academic programs available at UNCP, 24 were very satisfied, 54 were somewhat satisfied, 16 were neutral, and 5 were somewhat dissatisfied. Asked about the quality of student life at UNCP, 14 were very satisfied, 38 were somewhat satisfied, 34 were neutral, 9 were somewhat dissatisfied, and 1 was very dissatisfied.

Among all students surveyed, 38 felt that the new name has had a very positive effect on this academic year, while 59 felt it has had a somewhat positive impact, 88 have seen no changes as a result of the name change, 8 have seen or experienced a somewhat negative result, and 3 said it has had a very negative effect on the year. Seventy students responding felt the new name will have a very positive effect on their future careers, 102 thought it would have a somewhat positive effect, and 33 thought it would make no difference at all. However, one student felt being a graduate of UNCP rather than PSU would have a somewhat negative effect while another felt it would have a very negative effect on their future.

UNCP with Old Main and the letters UNCP helps students to celebrate the new name on September 11. Other refreshments were also available during the festivities in the University Center, which featured music by the jazz band and choir, songs from Heather McPherson and Cindy Lamb, and booths sponsored by many campus organizations.

DEBATE THE JULY heat, hundreds from the University and local communities gather in front of Old Main on July 6 to witness the unveiling of the new name. The celebration coincided with the annual Lumbee Homecoming also held that weekend.



THIS BANNER PROCLAIMS the University's new name, which has just been unveiled atop Old Main at the close of the July 6 celebration.

JULY 6 SPEAKERS Jose D'Arruda, H. D. Reaves, Joseph B. Oxendine, David Weinstein, William Jackson, Rev. Welton Lowry and Hon. Milton Hunt listen as Shelia Lowry sings the national anthem.



Celebrating UNCP

Hundreds gathered on campus on Saturday, July 6, to celebrate the transformation of Pembroke State University into The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, following final approval of the new name by the NC Legislature on July 1. An overflow crowd assembled in front of Old Main for remarks by Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine; representatives from the UNC Board of Governors and UNCP's trustees, faculty, students, and alumni; Mayor Milton Hunt of Pembroke; and Rev. Welton Lowry, one of the University's oldest living graduates. The celebration ended with the unveiling of the new name atop Old Main.

On Wednesday, September 11, students who missed the July event had a chance to celebrate the new name with cake,

CHANCELLOR JOSEPH B. OXENDINE speaks with SGA President Trey Allen during the September 11 celebration.

music, and other festivities in the University Center.



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA members speak to a student about their organization during the September 11 celebration. Many student groups participated in the event.

Student Life

Student life at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke was as diverse and creative as this campus and the people who have helped to make it up. From planned activities to hanging out in the University Center, the activities offered to the people were what made UNC Pembroke student life unique.

The variety of student life offered some kind of entertainment or activity for everyone; whatever you wanted, there was a possibility you'd find it. We had the talent show, Casino Night, the Miss UNCP pageant, the semi-formals, and so on. Becoming active was not a hard thing to do for most students, but finding the time could be a problem. For others, though, student life was just hanging with friends in a dorm room or at the Thursday night dances. Whatever it was you liked, there was a good possibility that UNCP offered it.

Even commuter students had the opportunity to participate in student life. There were numerous activities planned during the activity period on Wednesdays, just so commuters could get involved.

Student life at UNC Pembroke ministered to every type of student and fit the needs and desires of all students. So, go ahead—imagine the possibilities.

HANK BACOT AND friend enjoy the afternoon sunshine at one of the tables outside the University Center, which provides a central focus for many aspects of student life.





DEE DEE DAVIS and Dr. Cristina Francescon share a magazine at the booth offering a taste of Latin America, one of many booths that gave students a chance to sample international cuisines and crafts during A Taste of Culture.

SNOW CONES HELP participants beat the heat during Family Day. Other refreshments were also available throughout the day.



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TAKING A BREAK outside the University Center, Michael Davis and Jonathan Conner discuss the merits of the candidates in the upcoming SGA election.

CHILDREN OF FACULTY, staff and students take part in a volleyball game, one of many activities held on Family Day.



Spring Forward

After a harsh winter, students greeted the arrival of spring and began to look forward to the close of the 1995-96 academic year. Some started making plans for their summer vacations, while seniors fought off "senioritis" and prepared for graduation.

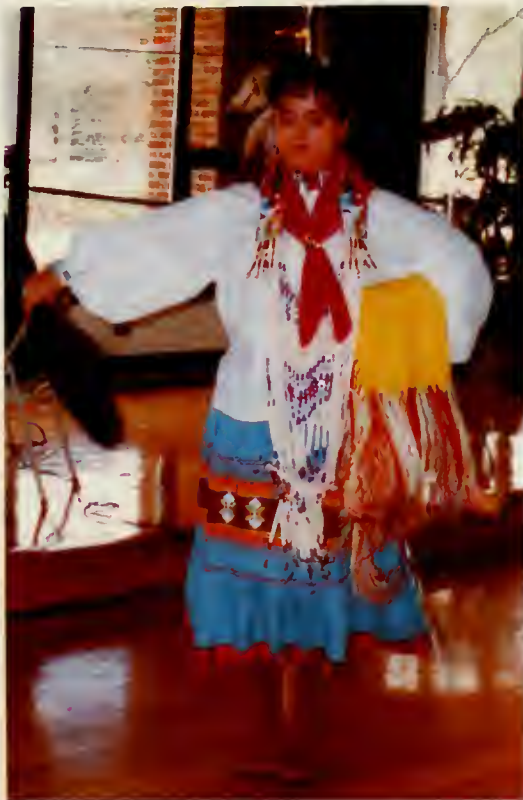
This spring saw renewed interest in campus politics, as three slates of candidates campaigned actively for SGA President and Vice President. The election, held April 2-4, produced the largest turnout in recent years. Trey Allen and Kathy Vasilopoulos emerged as the victors over rivals Shelly France and Duane Thomas and Edward Beltz and Kevin Moellenberndt.

Each spring, the University offers activities like A Taste of Culture and

Spring Fling to enrich students' lives and provide a needed break from studying. Another annual spring event is Family Day, held this past year on Saturday, April 20. This event allowed students, faculty, and staff to invite their families to spend a day on campus and feel the spirit of the UNCP family. People mar-

veled at the energy of the children who ran around for hours without breaking a bead of sweat. Games and other entertainment kept participants busy, the University's catering service provided lunch for everyone, and numerous

volunteers were on hand to make sure that everyone had some form of enjoyment from the event. After that, it was less than two weeks until the end of classes for the Spring semester.



BECKY GOINS PERFORMS a Native American dance as part of the Taste of Culture festivities.

THIS ASIAN DANCER entertains the crowd during A Taste of Culture. Dancers representing other nations and cultures also participated in the event.

MATT SCHMITZ HAS his cholesterol level checked during Spring Fling, courtesy of the Health Program.



G U G G E N H E I M



IN NEW YORK for the College Medio Convention, Allison Alvarez and Stephanie Price take a breather in front of the Guggenheim Museum across the street from Central Park.



Good Taste

Spring Break, which ran from March 11-17, gave many students the opportunity to travel. Some visited family or friends, but yearbook editors Allison Alvarez and Stephanie Price headed to New York City for the annual College Media Convention. In addition to attending workshops and meeting student journalists from around the country, they found time to take in a show and visit Wall Street, Greenwich Village, and other points of interest.

After Spring Break, there was much to do during the final weeks of the semester. A Taste of Culture, held on March 20, offered food and information representing countries such as Germany, France, Greece, Mexico, Spain, Puerto Rico, Italy, China, Japan, Guatemala, and Korea. From the US there were examples of Hawaiian culture and the good old-fashioned Lumbee

cooking of Robeson County.

Aside from the food and information, there was also dancing. Several Native American dancers from NASO led the crowd in a traditional dance, and Dr. Cristina Francescon, Spanish/Italian professor and dance instructor, joined in Latin dances such as the lambada and tango with representatives from

Puerto Rico and other Latin countries. Asian dancers displayed their talents using fans and brightly colored parasols, and an African dance troupe from Maxton wowed the spectators with traditional dances, costumes, songs, and drumming.

Fun and games were the theme for the annual Spring Fling on April 10, as students got to experience virtual reality or take out their frustrations by "jousting" with inflated weapons. Refreshments and music were provided, and many student organizations sponsored tables and took part in the fun.



A MEMBER OF the Umuja Dance Troupe performs an African dance during A Taste of Culture.



BUNGEE RACING BRINGS out serious competition in these students of the Spring Fling.

STUDENTS PUT THEIR strength, guts, and determination to the test by jousting during Spring Fling



THE CLASS OF 1996 of the graduating class of 1996 anxiously await the moment when their loved ones will walk across the stage and receive their hard-earned degrees.

STEPHANIE PRICE Stephanie Price display mixed emotions of contemplation and sadness as the graduation ceremony draws to a close.



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GOVERNOR JAMES HUNT Faculty Marshal Kathryn Rileigh, and Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine enter the gym to begin the May 1996 commencement exercises.

SOCIAL WORK GRADUATE Jennifer K. Clark is accompanied by her daughter Belanye as she receives her diploma.





WANDA HASTING AND other members of the class of 1996 listen thoughtfully to Governor Hunt's address. They were the last class to graduate from Pembroke State University before the name change became final in July.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT Gene Lacklear leaves the gym at the end of the commencement exercises.



Farewell to PSU

Starting time for the May 11 commencement was pushed back to 10 A.M. in hopes of diminishing the heat inside the Jones Health and Physical Education Center, but nothing could diminish the sense of pride and accomplishment felt by the graduates and their families and friends.

Highest honors were shared by Kenneth R. Carpenter of Fayetteville and Sylvia Lisa Holcomb of Lumberton, who were among 531 seniors and graduate students who received degrees. Before the diplomas were awarded, Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine conferred honorary degrees on Hon. James B. Hunt, Jr., Governor of North Carolina; Gene Locklear, a noted Lumbee artist; and Col. William Surles (Bill) McArthur, a NASA astronaut. Hunt



then delivered the commencement address, in which he challenged the graduates to build upon the foundation they had received at the

University as they began their new careers. He also voiced his enthusiastic support for the University's new name, which had not yet become final.

After Hunt's address, the graduates marched across the stage to receive diplomas from Chancellor Oxendine and personal congratulations from Governor Hunt, and many were greeted by shouts and applause from their loved ones as their names were called. In addition to receiving degrees, four graduates—Christopher Boyette, Thomas Helms, Daniel Loving, and Selby Schwam—were also commissioned as Second Lieutenants in the U.S. Air Force.

THESE DANCERS CELEBRATE
the close of a successful session of
summer school.



Lazy Days?

Most students can think of more interesting things to do with their summer than enroll in summer school, right? For the first two summers after returning to school, Teresa Cummings thought the same thing. However, she had put off completing her foreign language requirement and, entering her senior year, had to decide "to be a basket case for two semesters or for only six weeks." "Naturally," she said, "I chose the latter."

During the summer, she found the campus was not nearly as congested with cars—which eliminated the parking problem—or students—which eliminated the crowded hallways, sidewalks and check-

out lines in Bert's and the Bookstore. Classes were longer, and they met every day, but so much information was being covered that the time passed quickly. Class attendance and studying dominated most of the time during summerschool, but one could always find the time to unwind with friends.

Asked whether or not she would recommend summer school to a fellow student, she replied, "I would have to say that I would. If I had to go through it again, well that's another story!"

DR. PETE WISH and Cariso Oxendine are among the first to purchase new UNCP T-shirts. These and other items went on sale in the Bookstore shortly after the name change became final on July 1.





MANEUVERING THROUGH
THE obstacle challenge course of summer school could not lessen the enthusiasm of these students.

WARM SUNNY DAYS promote leisurely strolls to class during the summer session, as these women can confirm.



SUMMER SESSION STUDENTS take advantage of the web of information available to them through many of the University's computer classes.

HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM participants enjoy their time away from home while also getting an early jump on the experiences of dorm life. This was one of several special programs for high school students offered by UNCP during the summer.



Out & About

Leisure time was an important facet of student life. Taking a break from classes allowed students to unwind from the daily stresses of being a college student.

During the Fall 1996 semester, students were able to find many activities to get involved in on campus. Some opted for active pursuits, such as a game of touch football. Others decided to spend their time in a more relaxed fashion by strolling around campus or just hanging out with friends.

Hurricane Fran gave students some unexpected free time when it slammed into southeastern North Carolina on the evening of Thursday, September 5. Classes were cancelled for the following day,

and many areas of campus became temporary lakes and ponds thanks to the flooding that accompanied the storm. Most resident students were able to return home for a few

days, while crews from Physical Plant worked to cut down leaning trees and clean up the debris deposited by the high winds.

Once power was restored and classes resumed, it was back to normal, leisure time included. The commuter lunch at the BSU House remained popular, allowing students to enjoy a good meal and a chance to socialize with friends.

No matter what activity students had in mind, they would more than likely be able to find it; whether they could find the time to enjoy it was another story.



FLOOD WATER FROM Hurricane Fran creates a temporary swimming hole for these students to enjoy, as classes are cancelled on the day after the storm.





OLIVIA SCRIVEN AND friend relax and talk to acquaintances in front of the women's dorms.

TOUCH FOOTBALL GAMES provide fun and exercise for many students on autumn afternoons.



BSU'S COMMUTER LUNCH provides a welcome break and a nourishing meal for this student.

DESPITE THE SUPERMAN shirt, this student walks—rather than flies—to his next class.

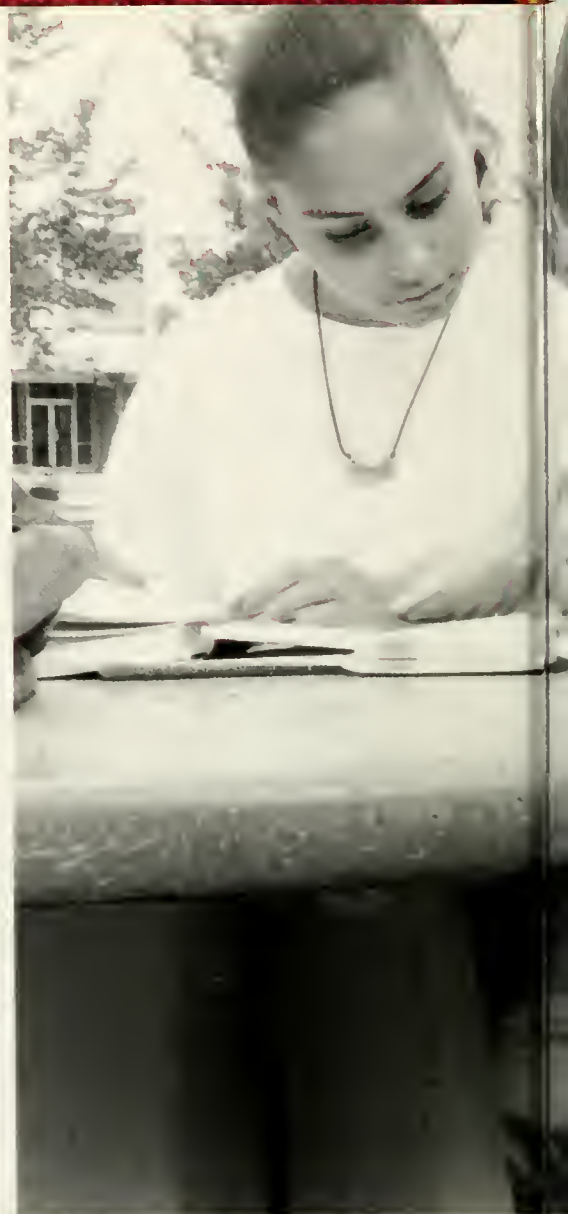
STUDENTS LINE UP in the Cashier's Office to pay their bills at the start of the year.



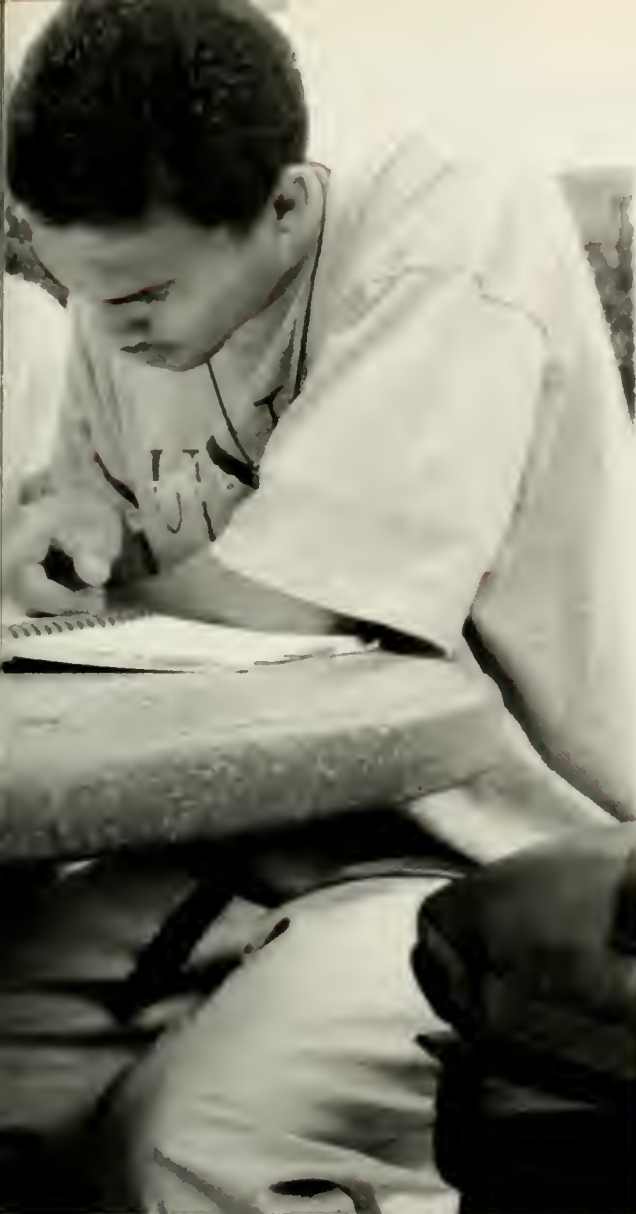
THIS HOUSE IN Lumber Bridge bears witness to the destruction wrought by Hurricane Fran.



THIS TREE LEANS precariously near the entrance to campus. Such damage was widespread on the day after Hurricane Fran struck, but campus workers had removed much of it by the time classes resumed the following Monday.



Stormy Weather



The Fall semester began with much anticipation because of

the university's new name. Many students walked around campus with a new sense of enthusiasm for their university and for what the future would hold for them because they attended UNCP.

In some ways, the start of this Fall semester was like past years. Students stood in line at the Bookstore and the Cashier's Office before classes

MARCUS FREEMAN AND his friend Tanya Acosta review some classwork outside the University Center.

began, returning students greeted old friends, and freshmen made new ones.



On September 5, 1996, the normal routine was interrupted as Hurricane Fran ripped through Robeson County and much of North Carolina, leaving many without power for a number of

days. The UNCP campus suffered the downing of a number of trees and flooding of parking lots, but the only major structural damage was a tree that fell on the roof of the Chancellor's guest house. Hurricane Fran will be remembered in the minds of all who suffered from its fury.



FRED SABBACK OF J.P. Bassett studios prepares to take another student's portrait for this year's Indianhead yearbook.

THIS BOOKSTORE EMPLOYEE distributes care packages to students at the start of the Fall semester.

Clowning Around

This year's Pembroke Day proved to be an extravagant and memorable occasion for all who were fortunate enough to attend. Faculty and staff members, students, and an encouraging number of citizens from the Pembroke area were treated to a wide variety of entertainment including songs rendered by Heather McPherson, the reigning Miss UNCP, and the Concert Choir. The Concert Band was also in attendance, rendering musical numbers, to the enjoyment of all. The annual BSU jail-a-thon was a tremendous success once again, as were a variety of booths and demonstrations. Some booths were sponsored by student groups and

university offices, while others gave local merchants and craftspeople a chance to display their wares. An Apache helicopter from nearby Ft. Bragg contributed to the sense of extended community that characterized the whole event, while

Lester, a professional clown who seemingly produced balloon animals, flowers and hats by magic, added to the festive atmosphere of the occasion. A free luncheon was also provided and Country 102, a local country music favorite on FM radio,

promoted the event live, encouraging the entire listening area to join in the fun.

LESTER THE CLOWN provides fun and balloon souvenirs for those attending Pembroke Day.



A COLORFUL BALLOON hot helps this student battle the heat of the sun on Pembroke Day.

THESE TWO STUDENTS display the free gifts and information they received at various tables.





COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND students come together in fellowship and share a meal during Pembroke Day.

UNCP BOOKSTORE

*All the books you need
and a whole lot more...*

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ANITA WOFFORD AND a friend staff the UNCP Bookstore table during the festivities on Pembroke Day.

PHILIP DANIELS, MARGO Mealy, and other prisoners have to spend their time at Pembroke Day in jail thanks to their joke-playing friends.

Coming Together

This year's Pembroke Day, like all those before it, was an op-

portunity to promote unity and cooperation among UNCP staff and students and members of the neighboring Pembroke community. Several speakers, including Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine and Pembroke Mayor Milton Hunt, stressed this important issue.

Obviously, the audience was very attentive to these distinguished speakers: students, faculty, staff, and local citizens mingled, talked, and laughed, enjoying one another's com-

pany, the great variety of entertainment, and the exceptional weather.

When participants tired of making the rounds of the various booths, they could stroll over to the refreshment tent for a helping of fried chicken and other goodies. Seated together at the long tables set out in the quad area, members of the university and local communities continued to get to know one another better over lunch. All of these elements combined to make this year's Pembroke

Day a momentous occasion for town and university alike.



DISK JOCKEYS FROM FM Country 102 encourage everyone within the listening area to stop by and enjoy this happy occasion.

PHILLIP HAYES AND Chris Gause enjoy a break for lunch after making the rounds during Pembroke Day.





KISHA DURANT INTERVIEWS UNCP Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine and Pembroke Mayor Milton Hunt for WNCP television.

TWILLA CHAVIS TAKES time to enjoy the Pembroke Day festivities before heading to an afternoon class.



ENJOYING THE EVENTS of the day, these students can hardly control their excitement.

CADET HASH STANDS guard over the Apache helicopter which flew in for the day's festivities from nearby Ft. Bragg.

JESSIE GLASSER'S REGALIA
forms a swirl of color (far right) as
he dances .

**BARBARA LOCKLEAR CAPTI-
VATES** her listeners with traditional
Indian stories and legends.

YOUNG AND OLD alike (right)
celebrate their Native American
heritage at the NASO Pow Waw.



JAMIE LOCKLEAR JOINS the
circle to share in the celebration.

**JONATHAN LOCKLEAR AND
Alexander Burnette** demonstrate
fancy dancing and colorful rega-
lia during the NASO Pow Waw.





Keeping Tradition Alive

The annual NASO Pow Wow on September 17 was once again an entertaining and educational way to end a hard day of classes for many students. This year's Master of Ceremonies, Marvin Richardson, kept the crowd's attention with his great sense of humor. He also kept them informed about the traditional dances being performed.

During the festival, the reigning Miss NASO, Charlyne Jacobs, crowned the new Miss NASO, Brandi Warriax. The Stoney Creek Singers kept the crowd enter-

tained, while sending a message of peace and equality for all people and providing music for the dancers. The tribal dancers in their traditional regalia mesmerized the students with their dance steps and aura of pride and dignity.

Also in attendance were local crafters displaying the traditional jewelry and crafts of the Native Americans. Students also had the opportunity to watch the preparation of, and then taste, some traditional Indian foods.

As always, the Pow-Wow opened the minds of all present.



CHARLYNE JACOBS CROWNS

Brandi Warriax as the new Miss NASO as Michael Floyd tapes the event for WNCN-TV.

Great Expectations

Students, faculty, staff, members of the Board of Trustees, and other members of the community gathered in the Givens Performing Arts Center (GPAC) on Wednesday, September 4, for the Fall Convocation, the ceremonial opening of the 1996-97 academic year.

After Chancellor Oxendine's welcome, greetings were delivered by C. Clifford Cameron, Chair of the UNC Board of Governors; David Weinstein, Chair of the UNCP Board of Trustees; Dr. Jose D'Arruda, Chair of the Faculty Senate; and Trey Allen, President of the Student Government Association.

Cameron, in his first official function as Chair of the UNC Board of Governors, included the following quote: "Yesterday is the past, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift. That's why it is called the 'present.'" He encouraged each of us to make the most of today.

Much more than a greeting, Allen's address was a challenge to UNCP students, faculty, and staff to become more involved in campus activities and to exhibit school pride and spirit. Allen's speech was followed by several

minutes of enthusiastic applause from the audience.

A new feature of this year's Convocation was the presentation of the Adolph Dial Endowed Faculty Awards to Dr. Paul Flowers of the Physical Science Department for scholarship and

to Dr. Robert Romine, recently retired from the Music Department, for community service.

The highlight of the gathering was the address by Dr. LeRoy T. Walker, President of the U.S. Olympic Committee and Chancellor Emeritus of NC Central University, who also received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Dr. Walker began by endorsing the messages of the prior speakers, especially the challenge delivered to the student body by Trey Allen. Using examples from his distinguished coaching career, he urged the attendees to "verbalize, visualize and vitalize" the goals they hoped to accomplish. And he reminded them that "success is a journey, not a destination."

Dr. Walker's address was followed by a presentation of the Adolph Dial Endowed Faculty Awards to Dr. Paul Flowers of the Physical Science Department for scholarship and to Dr. Robert Romine, recently retired from the Music Department, for community service.

DR. LEROY T. WALKER receives the hood signifying his honorary degree, which was conferred by Chancellor Oxendine. Dr. Walker then went on to deliver the main Convocation address.

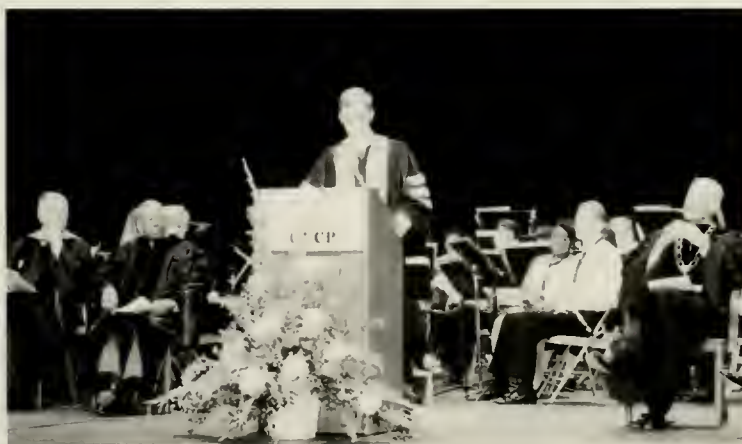


TRUSTEES ADMINISTRATORS AND faculty members, dressed in academic regalia, enter the GPAC for the Convocation.



CONCERT CHOIR MEMBERS arrive at the GPAC to provide music for the Fall Convocation. The choir opened the program with the national anthem.

DR. PAUL FLOWERS of the Physical Science Department receives the 1996 Adolph Dial Endowed Faculty Award for scholarship from Dr. Kathryn Rileigh, 1996 winner of the UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence. Dr. Rileigh also presented the Adolph Dial Award for community service to Dr. Robert Ramine, who retired from the Music Department at the end of the Spring 1996 semester. This was the first year that these awards were presented during the Fall Convocation.



SGA PRESIDENT TREY Allen addresses the student body during the Convocation. The text of his speech appears on pages 6-7.

EYDIE RICHARDSON IS a real party animal as she and her friends get ready for the Halloween dance.

DRESSED AS THE CROW, Jeff Forlee takes a break from dancing in the University Center.



JENNIFER WATSON TAKES a break from the stress of her studies by dressing up as a little girl for Halloween.

PECIOUSSAMPSON, WENDY Hales, Sora Brockin, Penny Locklear, Juanito Deese and Angie Revels dress up for Halloween.





Dressed for Success?

The annual event of Halloween on campus at UNC Pembroke was celebrated in the usual manner. Some students dressed up early and spent the day in costumes, and some staff members did, too.

Some professors even dressed up and came to class in the Halloween spirit. Math professor Dr. Raymond Lee had a wonderful time dressing up, scaring the students and throwing candy into his crowded class. And CMA professor Dr. Nancy Barrineau taught her literature class dressed as a witch. One sorority in North Hall

invited the neighborhood kids over for a little treat. In the afternoon, many students left campus to take their own children trick-or-treating, while others returned to their dorm rooms to get ready for the annual Halloween dance.

The dance, as in the past years, featured a costume competition as well as food and a live band to perform songs for the strange creatures and goblins to shake their stuff to.

After the dance, Halloween vampires and other strange creatures continued to roam the campus, socializing and howling late into the night.



MICHAEL MORALES attends the dance dressed as the character Two-Face from *Batman Returns*.



DR. NANCY BARRINEAU gets into the Halloween spirit with her class.

Signs of Change

Students noticed many changes around campus during the Fall 1996 semester. Returning students noticed that signs had been changed to reflect the new name. Tee shirts, caps, and other items on sale at the Bookstore also reflected this change. And the university had a new logo, which appeared on course schedules, letters, flyers, and all of the other printed matter students received.

Other changes were caused by construction work to several campus buildings. The area formerly occupied by Sampson Hall became a construction site for the addition to the library. This change brought inconvenience

to students working on research papers, since they could no longer go to the stack to get books. This change in procedure was only temporary, and the new facilities planned for the library would hopefully make it worthwhile. Construction work was also in progress to expand the BA Building.



UNCP

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke

The most important change, of course, was the new people who arrived at the university. New faculty and staff were on hand, committed to the university's tradition of academic excellence. And the freshmen, full of hope and expectation, looked forward to their years as students at UNC Pembroke.



FRESHMAN LISA MITCHELL enjoys the autumn weather. She became the new Miss UNCP later in the fall (see page 42).

FRESHMEN BEGIN THE year on an upbeat note at a dance in the University Center at the start of the Fall semester.





BULLDOZERS AND BUILDING supplies are in place for the expansion of the BA Building.

CONSTRUCTION CREWS WORK on the new library addition, scheduled for completion by the 1997-98 academic year.



DR. PAUL BERGHOFF greets new Psychology Professor Kurt Kraus at the reception held in September to welcome new faculty.

MEDEANNA BRUTON RELAXES in one of the new UNCP sweatshirts that became available this fall.

REGGIE McLEAN'S CONTRIBUTIONS to the senior exhibit include "Nightmares" (right), "Days of Our Lives" (far bottom right), and "Fertility" (below).

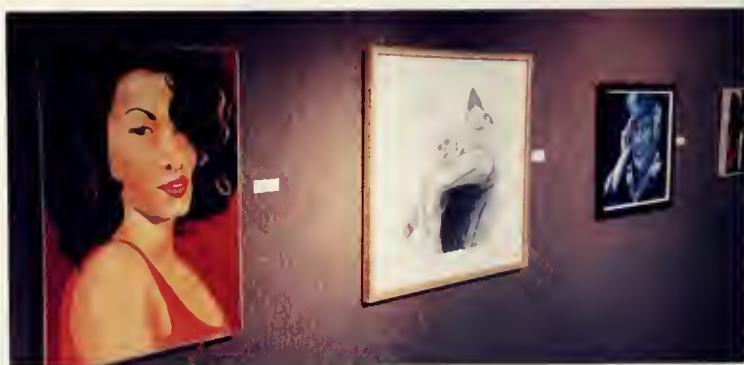


Artistry

Four talented seniors contributed nineteen visually interesting and thought-provoking works to the Senior Art Exhibit held in Locklear Hall during the Fall semester. This was one of several shows held during the academic year, each one representing the end prod-

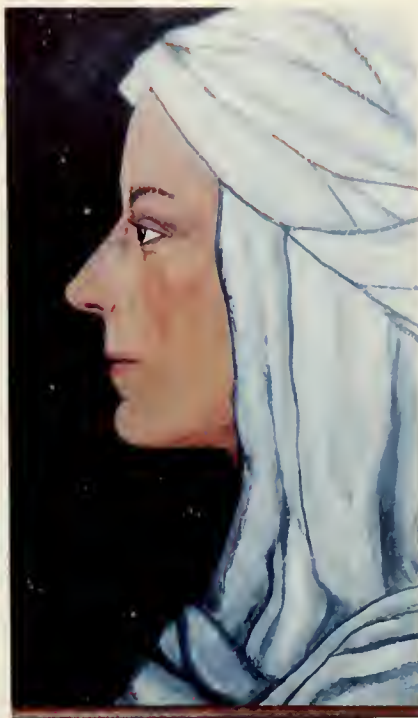


uct of four years of courses and studios for the students whose work is on view, according to Art Department Chair Paul Van Zandt. This collection of varying themes, colors, and imagination allowed others in the university to share in the culmination of these seniors' creative efforts.



WORKS BY SENIOR Art major Chris Jackson represented in the Fall 1996 exhibit include "Perception Is as Real as a Brick" (left-detail), "Red Sky at Night" (right), and "Woman at Night" (top right). Other seniors whose works were included in the show were Marca Groves and Carolyn Strickland. Each senior in the Art Department exhibits her or his work as part of the requirements for the degree.





PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS by the four students whose work was exhibited during the Fall 1996 semester are displayed on the walls of the art gallery in Lacklear Hall (above left). This gallery, which was constructed as part of a major renovation of Lacklear Hall several years ago, is the site of all senior art shows. The gallery is also used for shows by visiting artists when student work is not on display.

AMY BASS (LUCKY), Alan J. "Rot" Rose (Estragon), Vanessa Williams (Pozzo), and John Isenhour (Vladimir) are Waiting for Godot; he never shows up.

TALENT SHOW WINNER Robert Williams entertains and inspires those in attendance at the university's Christmas party on December 4.



THE CONCERT CHOIR entertains students and community members at Pembroke Day.



THE JAZZ BAND provides music at the opening of a local business during the Fall semester.



On Stage

Students at UNCP who were interested in the performing arts had many possibilities for displaying their talents. The University Players gave students the chance to participate in live theatre, either on stage or behind the scenes. Their Fall 1996 production was Samuel Beckett's absurdist comedy *Waiting for Godot*, a play in which "Nothing happens, nobody comes, nobody goes, it's awful." Audiences at the GPAC on October 30-November 1, however, seemed to enjoy the wait.

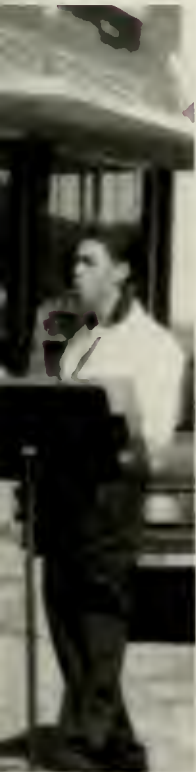
The Concert Band and Concert Choir allowed students to exhibit their musical talents during their annual Christmas concert; they also

performed at major events such as the Fall Convocation and Pembroke Day. The Jazz Band and Choir urged listeners to "Take the A Train" during their fall concert; they also provided the music during the September 11 festivities celebrating the university's new name.



Individual performers and smaller groups got their chance to shine during the annual Student Talent Show, held this year on November 6 in the GPAC. Singer and

pianist Robert Williams took first prize for his rendition of "His Eye Is on the Sparrow." Misty Wilson won second prize singing "Amazing Grace," and another singer, Lis Benson, took third prize.



JAZZ CHOIR MEMBERS help celebrate the university's new name on September 11.

LISA MITCHELL RECEIVES her crown from Heather McPherson as the other contestants and their escorts look on.

SECOND RUNNER UP Brandi Warriox captivates the audience with her rendition of "Corner of the Sky" from the musical Pippin.

HEATHER McPHERSON TAKES the spotlight in the GPAC to sing one last song before passing her title on to her successor.



MARSHA THOMAS SENDS the judges and the audience a smile during the evening gown competition.



KAREN LEMASTER SMILES during the evening gown competition (right), and Charlyne Jacobs crosses the stage during the swimsuit competition (far right).





WENDY LOWERY SMILES during the evening gown competition. Wendy went on to be named first runner up, as well as co-winner of the Miss Congeniality award.

CONTESTANTS OPEN THE pageant with a production number to set the evening's theme, "Cruisin' on the UNCP."



Cruisin'

On November 21, 1996, the last Miss PSU, Heather McPherson, passed on her crown to our very first Miss UNCP, freshman Lisa Mitchell. Lisa managed to outshine the talent, style and poise of the seven other contestants to take the crown.

Wendy Ann Lowery received the honor of both first runner up and co-winner of the Miss Congeniality award along with Cynthia Jarman. Second runner up was Brandi Kay Warriax, who brought the crowd to its feet with her version of "Corner of the Sky."

The opening number, choreographed by Karen Gibson Jenkins, set the theme of "Cruisin' on the UNC Pembroke," with the

contestants and dancers dressed as the crew of a cruise ship. This was followed by the swimsuit competition and the talent portion of the pageant.



Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Pembroke native Scott Blanks. Adding to the entertainment were performances by Misti Wilson, a choir singer, and Ms. Brenda Hunt, a former Miss PSU. Michelle Locklear, a music major here at Pembroke, provided piano accompaniment for Blanks and during the swimsuit and evening

gown competitions.

The evening ended with the crowning of Lisa Mitchell, who will go on to represent UNCP at events throughout the state.



MARTHA CLARK COMBINES work and play as she reviews her biology text while listening to the music at the campus Christmas party.

THE UNIVERSITY CENTER lounge provides a comfortable study area for these students as they review for exams on Reading Day.



CLASSROOM NORTH is so cold in December that this student keeps her gloves on while taking notes in Dr. Richard Velo's literature class.



CHANCELLOR OXENDINE CONSULTS with Art professor Rolph Steeds before purchasing Christmas ornaments from the annual student art sale.



Winter Daze

As the end of the Fall semester drew near, many students felt as if they were in a daze. Added to their already busy class schedules was the need to find time for Christmas shopping, wrapping and decorating, holiday parties and visits. Winter weather also brought colds, flu, and other ailments. And all this came just when they had papers to write and exams to study for in all their courses. Sleep-deprived, sniffing, and suffering from writer's block and information overload, the UNCP student body

struggled to make it through to the end of the semester and their much-needed Christmas vacation.

Thoughts of the upcoming holidays helped alleviate the stress, and many managed to find some time to enjoy the various Christmas activities both on- and off-campus. After the last paper was turned in and the last exam completed, students left campus to celebrate with their families

and catch up on their sleep before returning for the new year.

KAREN BUTLER AND Lisa Mitchell enjoy the Christmas party in the University Center.



CHOIR MEMBERS LORNA McNeill, Kim Gainey, Jason Halland, Kevin Whitmore, Michelle Locklear, Teresa Cummings, Mattheue Locklear, and James Chavis entertain themselves and their audience at the Christmas concert.

THESE STUDENTS ARE obviously enjoying the holiday atmosphere and each other's company at the Christmas semi-formal.



Holiday Cheer

Christmas seemed to come earlier this year, with only one full week of classes after the return from Thanksgiving break. The week was filled with events to get everyone into the holiday mood, starting with the annual Christmas party and caroling at the BSU House on Tuesday, December 3.

The annual university Christmas party in the University Center took place during the activity period on Wednesday, December 4. Students, faculty and staff enjoyed holiday food and music, and many also visited Santa to make some last-minute requests. The center was festive with holiday decorations and a large tree, and the Art Department was on hand for its annual Christmas art sale.

After getting into the Christmas spirit at the party, many students returned to the University Center the following evening for the Christmas semi-formal. As always, this event provided the opportunity to dress up and dance the night away. For many, it was their

last chance for socializing before getting down to the serious business of studying for final exams.

Thursday, December 5, was a busy night for those who also attended the annual Christmas concert in Moore Hall. In addition to music by the University Band and Choir, the audience was also treated to a performance by the children of the Orff Choir.

On Friday, December 6, the Givens Performing Arts Center was haunted by the ghosts of Christmas past, present, and future during two performances of *A Christmas Carol*, the classic holiday tale by Charles Dickens, the last 1996 event

in the GPAC's Professional Artist Series.

After these festivities, students returned to campus on Monday for one final day of classes, followed by the reading day on Tuesday and final exams from December 11-17.



WARREN LOVE PLAYS Santa of the university Christmas party on December 4.

HEATHER McPHERSON IS joined by Diane Jones, Roymond Cummings, and others to sing carols at the Christmas party.





DRESSED IN RED for the holiday season, Robert Chavis and friend enjoy a moment of togetherness at the Christmas semi-formal.



THE GPAC LOBBY Christmas tree gets its final decorations to greet audiences for *A Christmas Carol*.



CHRISTMAS PARTY ATTENDEES fill up with goodies from the buffet (far left), while Miss UNCP Lisa Mitchell entertains the partiers with traditional carols (left).

ORFF CHOIR MEMBERS delight the audience with their guest performance at the annual Christmas concert.

BSU'S COMMUTER LUNCH provides fellowship and a good hot meal for many commuters before they begin the long trek home.

THE TRAIN ALWAYS seems to arrive just in time to make commuters late for class.



LIFE CAN BE a blur for a commuter rushing to get to class on time.

COMMUTERS OFTEN WALK long distances to get back to their cars and then have to deal with the long drive home.





Road Trip

Most UNCP students lived off-campus and made the daily trip to and from classes, commuting from nearby communities or from Fayetteville, Laurinburg, and beyond.

For some, commuting was a necessity, as they scheduled their classes around jobs, children, and other responsibilities. Other students simply wanted to stay in familiar surroundings.

Whatever the reason, all commuters were faced with the same challenges. After the drive to

campus, finding a parking space close enough to avoid being late for class often proved impossible. Carrying all the books needed for the day was also a problem, especially for those who had classes at opposite ends of the campus.



Commuters often felt left out of campus social life, too. On the other hand, they returned to their own families at the end of day, and that was enough to make the trip worthwhile—at least

until the alarm went off the next morning and they had to do it all over again.



A GOOD BACKPACK is essential equipment for commuters, who must carry books for all their classes to avoid extra trips back to the car.

HURRICANE FRAN PROVIDES some interesting scenery for commuters traveling through Lumber Bridge in the weeks after the storm.

TAKING LAUNDRY HOME combines with a weekend visit with the family as a frequent activity for many resident students.

DORM ROOMS CAN provide a place for informal socializing with friends.



JOYCE MOORE ALWAYS has a smile and some friendly words for the students she looks after in the women's dorms.

STACEY HONEYCUTT PHONES a friend from the privacy of her dorm room, whereas commuters must often use pay phones.





A Room of One's Own

For resident students, the dorm was their social center. There, they slept, studied, watched television, and hung out with friends. Their room became their escape from the pressures of the classroom. It was a place to relax and to regroup. A dorm room provided a haven for fun—and some work as well.

Dorm life offered a chance for students to take advantage of the night life such as dances and movies. It was also filled with parties, and one of the first lessons to be learned was

VICTOR BONILLA WORKS on a paper in his dorm. Resident students with computers in their rooms can avoid crowded computer labs.

balancing fun and academics. Late nights and early morning classes and no mother to make you get out of bed made for a quick prioritizing of a student's life.

Adjusting to a roommate, regardless of whether it was a total stranger or your best friend, could make dorm life the most fun you'd ever have or the worst time you'd ever experience. Sharing laughter, hate, love, true friendships, and making memories that would

be with you always became a daily routine for resident students. Overall, dorm life could be very rewarding and teach many valuable lessons you might not have learned living at home.



TEDDY BRITT HIDES in the shower as the yearbook photographer invades his dorm.

MOVING IN AT the start of the year can be a real chore, but friends are always willing to lend a hand.

THESE SINGERS ENTERTAIN the crowd at the campus Christmas Party.

THESE DANCERS ARE really getting into the music at the first dance of the Fall 1996 semester.



HUDDLING TOGETHER FOR warmth, these students have been told by hypnotist Jim Wond that it's very cold inside the University Center. A few minutes before, they were so hot that some had removed their shirts.

FRESHMEN AND RETURNING students enjoy the dance held to start off the 1996-97 year.



What's Happening?



Besides being the place where students could go to eat, shoot pool or bowl, watch TV, or just get together with friends between classes, the University Center was also the site of various social and educational programs throughout the year.

Many events were held at the Center during the Wednesday morning activity period. These included annual celebrations like the Homecoming Carnival and Spring Fling, as well as job fairs sponsored by the Career Center. A special celebration was held this year in September to mark the change in the university's name,

CHAVIS RACHEL 15 Michael Jackson as he sings, dances, and entertains the crowd at the Jim Wand show.

and in February several university offices hosted the first annual Senior Salute, allowing prospective graduates to reserve caps and gowns, order class rings, and take care of other graduation-related

chores at one convenient time. The popular hypnotist Jim Wand also put on a show at the Center again this year.

Evening and nighttime events were popular, too, especially the dances held on Thursday nights. Some were sponsored by student organizations as fund-raisers. Others were more formal occasions, like the annual Christmas Semi-formal and the Homecoming dance. Whatever the time of day or year,

there was bound to be something happening at the University Center.



ARE WE HAVING fun yet? These students at the Christmas Semi-formal haven't quite made up their minds about that.

TABITHA LOWERY AND son collect goodies and good advice at the Senior Salute, held for the first time this February.

Class Acts

The Givens Performing Arts Center's 1996-97 Professional Artist Series gave students and others the chance to experience a wide variety of live entertainment, from big band swing to classic musical comedies and show-stopping production numbers. The excitement began on Friday, Sept. 27, as the world-famous Glenn Miller Orchestra filled the theatre with the sounds of the big band era. Conducted by Larry O'Brien, the performance included such popular Miller classics as "Moonlight Serenade," "A String of Pearls," "Pennsylvania 6-5000" and the melodic "Rhapsody in Blue."

On Tuesday, Nov. 12, the 50th anniversary production of Irving Berlin's classic *Annie Get Your Gun* took the stage. Hailed as America's greatest musical, *Annie Get Your Gun* starred Glenn Yarborough as Frank Butler and Rita McKenzie as Annie Oakley. This show-business tale of down-home fun featured such hits as "You Can't Get a Man with a Gun," "I Got Lost in His Arms," and "There's No Business Like Show Business."

The ghosts of Christmas past, present and future haunted the GPAC in the classic Charles Dickens holiday tale *A Christmas Carol* on Friday, Dec. 6. Featuring superb new sets, period costumes and special effects, this production included new original songs as well as traditional carols of the season.

Everyone's favorite aunt stole the audience's heart as Morgan Brittany starred in the musical classic *Mame*. The winner of five Tony awards

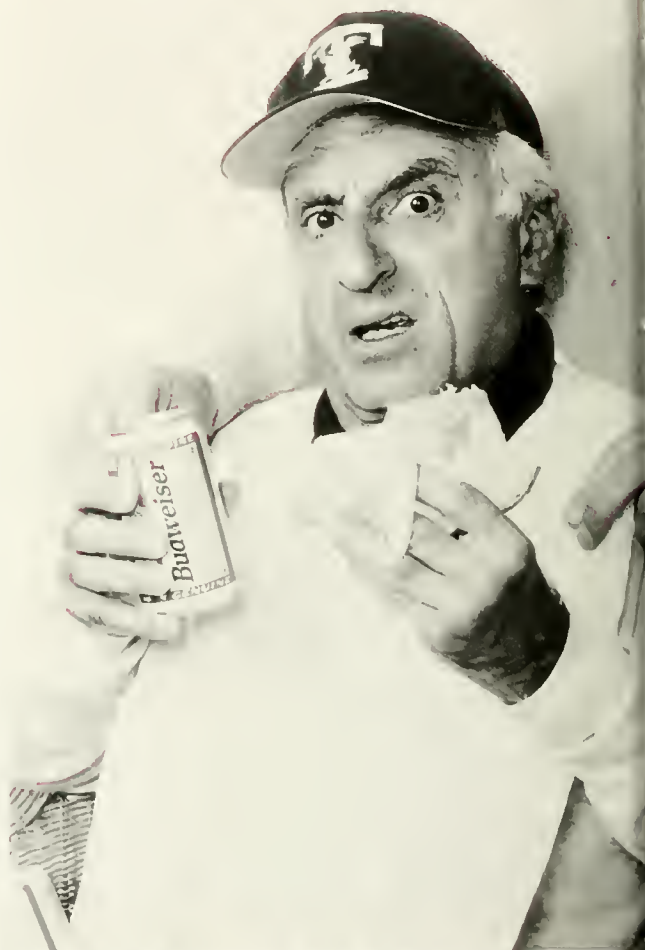
and one of the longest running musicals in Broadway history, *Mame* took center stage on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Singin' In The Rain splashed onto the GPAC stage on Tuesday, Feb. 4. Featured were all the favorite classics of the MGM film, such as "Good Morning," "Lucky Star" and, of course, "Singin' In The Rain."

Two favorite stars from TV's longest running sitcom, *M*A*S*H*, came to the GPAC when Jamie Farr and William Christopher starred in Neil Simon's classic comedy, *The Odd Couple*, on Tuesday, March 25. The inspiration for the hit movie as well as a long running television series, *The Odd Couple* provided an evening of sheer fun and laughter.

The season finale on Friday, April 25, was an evening of romance and nostalgia as *Oh, Henry!* celebrated the music of legendary composer Henry Mancini. Starring Mac Frampton, Cecil Welch and the Hollywood Hills Orchestra and Singers, this celebration brought to life Mancini's magnificent legacy of ballads and jazz. Such classics as "Moon River," "The Days of Wine and Roses," "Charade" and "The Pink Panther" were re-created in this grand tribute.

THE CAST OF *Singin' in the Rain* entertains the GPAC audience with songs and humor during its February performance.





M 'A 'S 'H STARS JAMIE Forr (Klinger) and William Christopher (Fother Mulcahy) took on new roles and delight the GPAC audience as Oscar Modison and Felix Unger in Neil Simon's comedy *The Odd Couple*.

MORGAN BRITTANY

Starring as

MAME

The 30th Anniversary
National Tour of America's
Favorite Family Musical

Star of CBS's
Legendary
Television
Series
"Dallas"

Book by
Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee
Music and Lyrics by Jerry Herman



EBENEZER SCROOGE IS
haunted by ghosts during the De-
cember performance of *A Christ-
mas Carol*.

THIS STUDENT RUSHES across the quad on her way to her next class.



FRESHMAN CELESTE WARD crasses the quad on her way to a Broadcating class in Old Main.

MRS. ADRIENNE OXENDINE enjoys the sunny fall weather as she visits the various baaths an Pembroke Day.



ANDREI TERRY IS on her way to class after spending the marning with her sararity sisters at the AKA baath during Pembroke Day.



CKLEAR

JOHN MAYNOR TAKES a break from his Art class, pausing outside Locklear Hall to enjoy the January sunshine.



FRESHMAN BRENT SMITH hurries back to the dorm after a class in the Science Building.

THIS STUDENT UNWINDS by hitting a few balls in the quad on a sunny afternoon.



Around Campus

Throughout the year, students at UNCP could be seen rushing around campus on their way to and from classes.

Since parking spaces were scarce, many chose to make these trips on foot, with their books and other belongings in their arms or in a backpack, rather than driving from one end of campus to the other only to discover that the lot is full. Students also used various outdoor spots for leisurely relaxing during their free time between classes, especially on warm, sunny days. Students could be seen spending their free time participating in sports activities, studying, socializing with friends, eating lunch, or just simply unwinding quietly and enjoying the weather.

THIS TRIO OF students takes a cigarette break between classes—a familiar sight now that smoking is prohibited in all campus buildings.

Thanks to our very hard working maintenance crews, the neat, carefully planned landscape was always clean and virtually litter-free. Flowering trees and shrubs and seasonal plantings kept the campus almost constantly in bloom. When visitors came to UNCP, one of the first comments made was what a clean, pretty campus we had.

There were also a number of events taking place on the quad during the year, such as Pembroke Day, the NASO Pow Wow, and many others. Life never had to be dull around UNCP, and as spring drew near, more and more laughter and music could be heard throughout the campus as students took advantage of the pleasant surroundings and warmer weather to spend more time outdoors.



All in Fun

Once again the spirit of Homecoming swept the UNCP campus. Each day held new events enabling the community to feel and show their school spirit. Not only were the people wearing their spirit in the black and gold, but many of the buildings were decked out in the school colors as well.

Starting the week were spades and bowling tournaments on February 18 in the Gameroom. Dexter Cole and Justin Winans were winners in spades, while a team of staff members outbowled one faculty and five student teams.

One of the highlights of the week was the Homecoming carnival. The 1997 Carni-

val, held in the University Center during the February 19 activity period, provided students, faculty, and staff with the opportunity to have fun and to share their high spirits.

Students lined up for T-shirts and refreshments and to be contestants for the game show *All in Fun*, where they tested their knowledge and wits to win prizes. Campus organizations set up booths, and students were able to vote this year not only for

Homecoming Queen but also for Homecoming King.

KATHY VASILOPOULOS CHECKS this student's name off her list as she votes for Homecoming Queen and King during the Carnival.



BEN GERSH AND other students enjoy being contestants in the *All in Fun* game show during the Carnival.

THESE STUDENTS HAVE fun dipping snow cones for those in attendance at the Carnival.





PECIOUS SAMPSON is dressed for the day's Western theme as she takes a break from selling raffle tickets at the UNCP employees' booth.



THIS ΔΣΘ SISTER gets into the Homecoming spirit during the Carnival.



ED STALLWORTH PUTS Chancellor Strickland in "jail" during the BSU's ever-popular jail-a-thon.

SANDON JACOBS and Brandi Warriax display Native American crafts at the NASO booth.

THE SOCCER TEAM hopes to get a leg up on its competition for best float.

HOMECOMING REPRESENTATIVE ALAN J. "Rat" Rose greets his "kingdom."



THE SISTERS OF Tri-Sigma keep themselves amused as they await the signal that their float can start its ride through the campus.

THE TKE BROTHERS proudly display their letters to the spectators. Their float was the first runner-up in the float competition.





Big Parade

Well, it didn't have the Rockettes or Kermit the Frog, and Pembroke doesn't have a Macy's, but it was a parade.

In keeping in this year's trend of new things, such as a new school name, the university held a new event this spring, a Homecoming Parade.

Organizations and their floats lined up in front of the Chancellor's house on the afternoon of Thursday, February 20, and then headed off to their final destination, Classroom North—which, again following the trend, had been renamed the Dial Humanities Building between the time the flyers were printed and the day of the parade itself.

Several organizations made creative floats that would show the

crowd their spirit. The parade march through Braves' Drive allowed each of the floats to be judged to see who had the best float. The

TKEs took first runner-up with a float that displayed their letters and colors. The winner of the competition was the Baptist Student Union, whose float presented students with directions for them to take in life.

Spectators lined the sidewalks in front of the

women's dorms and classroom buildings as the floats and marchers passed by. Onlookers got into the spirit as the participants chanted slogans, waved to friends, and threw candy into the crowd. The parade provided a ready-made crowd for the afternoon's softball game and got everyone prepared for the pep rally and bonfire later that evening.



STACEY HONEYCUTT, JULIUS Meekin, Gina Glenn, Tara Jernigan and Ed Stallwarth ride the first-place BSU float.

KRISTICARPENTER AND friend take in some sun as they watch the parade pass by the front of North Darm.

Dreams

After Friday night's Homecoming Semi-formal, whose theme this year was "A Night That Dreams Are Made Of," the week ended with a full slate of activities on Saturday, February 22. Alumni came home for campus tours, a soccer game, class reunions, and the annual Alumni Awards Dinner.

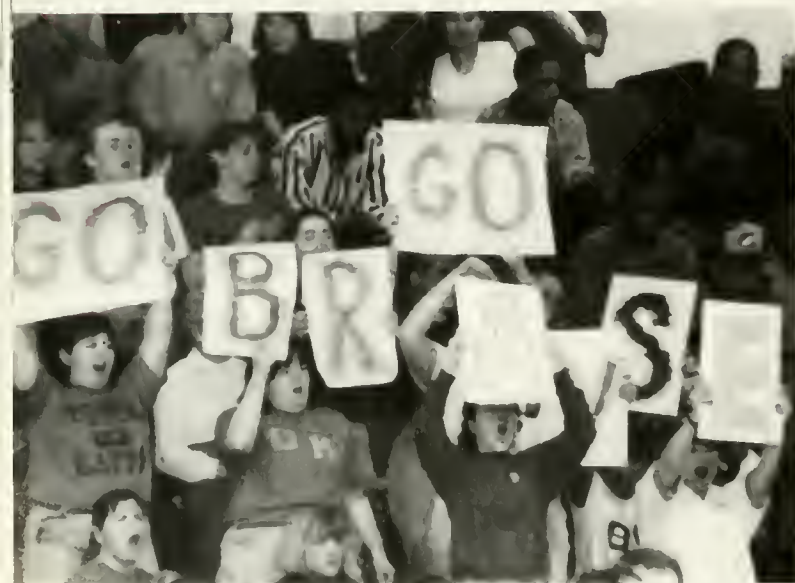
The main event for students took place that evening in the gym, starting with the Lady Braves taking on Kennesaw State in the women's basketball game. Halftime featured a performance by the cheerleaders and a tribute to the four graduating seniors on this year's team. They earned cheers from the crowd for their difficult season, which ended with a 68-84 loss to the Lady Owls.



The men's game started on a more upbeat note, as senior Chris "CB" Brown scored three quick baskets for UNCP in the opening minutes. By halftime, though, the Braves were behind and would go on to lose to the Owls, 63-83.

Halftime of the men's game featured the crowning of this year's Mr. and Miss Homecoming. After all 20 contestants and their escorts walked onto the court, Taz Dodson was proclaimed runner-up and Ramon Jacobs was crowned by "Rat" Rose as Mr. Homecoming.

Brandy Pittman was next announced as the ladies' runner-up, and Chancellor Oxendine then crowned Jessica Locklear as this year's Miss Homecoming.



THE THETA KAPPAS are so excited about supporting their BRAVSE that they don't quite get their letters in the right order.

TREY ALLEN AND Steve Tegnello are joined in the stands by Chancellor Oxendine, his brother Tom, and his wife Adrienne to root for the Broves.

JESSICA LOCKLEAR IS the center of attention and smiles serenely after being congratulated by her AIO sisters on her crowning as the new Miss Homecoming.

RAMON JACOBS RE-ACTS with a mixture of joy and amazement after he has been crowned by "Rat" Rose as this year's Mr. Homecoming.

BRANDY PITTMAN (BELOW) smiles radiantly as she accepts her flowers and trophy as the runner-up for Miss Homecoming, and Keith "Taz" Dodson (bottom) is also pleased to accept his trophy as the runner-up for Mr. Homecoming.



"CB" BROWN HITS for two points early in the first half of the men's game. He scored the first eight points and a total of 25 in his final home game for the Braves.

DR. ELIZABETH NORMANDY lectures to her political science class about the make-up of the U.S. political system.



That's Life!

Student life at UNCP was as varied as the student body. Some students, especially those who commuted, spent most of their time on campus attending classes and then went off to their jobs or their families.

Other students, commuters as well as dorm residents, took advantage of the many social and recreational activities to be enjoyed outside of class.

From informal games of tennis and basketball to planned events like Pembroke Day and Homecoming,



there was never a shortage of things to do on campus. And some students got actively involved in campus organizations that participated in, and sometimes helped to plan and bring about, the activities their fellow students enjoyed.

So the diversity of student life, as we have tried to portray it in this year's *Indianhead*, reflected the diversity of our students' lives.

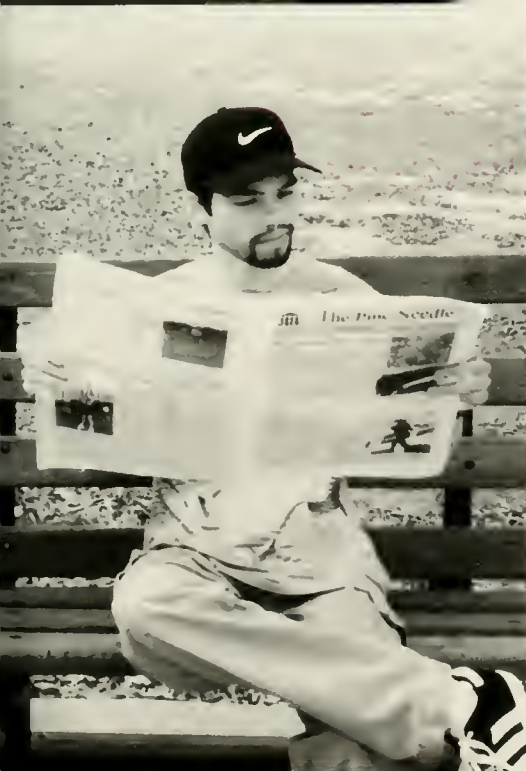
CO-EDITOR HATTIE HAMMONDS and assistant editor Vince Hill like *The Pine Needle* so much they read it themselves.





THIS STUDENT CATCHES a few winks before the beginning of her political science class.

THESE STUDENTS LOOK forward to some fun as they head for the Homecoming Carnival in the University Center.



SPECTATORS OF ALL ages are on hand to watch the Homecoming parade.

DR. BRENDA BURGESS enjoys the mild February weather as she walks her dog past the women's dorms.

Academics

Possibilities for intellectual growth and professional advancement have increased tremendously since this university's founding in 1887. Progress continued during the 1996-97 academic year, as ground was broken in late August 1996 for the expansion of the library, which also became the site of the Congressional archives of Representative Charlie Rose.

For the college student, though, juggling life's everyday activities was still an endurance test of strength and character. The endless cycle of classes, projects, work and family constantly vied for attention in many students' overcrowded time schedules.

With the help of UNCP's dedicated professors and staff, our students were able to make college work for them day by day. Despite the change in the university's name, there was no change in the individual attention students were able to receive. Through the efforts of the faculty and staff, their words of encouragement, as well as a little extra push, the coveted college degree became more than a possibility; it became a reality.

THE COMPUTER LAB in Classroom North enables Heather Chavis to work on her assignment more efficiently.



HONORING THE PAST



OLD MAIN, the oldest building on campus, housed the NATIVE AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER, where visitors could view art and artifacts portraying the history and culture of Robeson County's Lumbee Indians and of other Native Americans. The center was

ment. This year, courses taught by its chair, Dr. Linda Oxendine, were broadcast over the NC Information Highway and made available to students at other UNC schools as well as here at UNCP.

Old Main also housed two of the Communicative Arts Department's programs in MASS COMMUNICATIONS. Broadcasting majors were able to gain valuable hands-on experience through work at WNCP-TV, whose studios and other facilities were located in Old Main.

The building also provided space for the program in Public Relations, which lost a faculty member at the end of the year when Dr. Douglas Norman retired. Another significant change for the Mass Communications programs was the introduction of a separate B.S. degree for its majors, approved by the UNC Board of Governors in the spring.

also the site of visiting exhibits, lectures, and other events throughout the year.

The second floor of Old Main was the home of the AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES Department.



BROADCASTING MAJOR JIMMY Hedrick checks in with **Deidre Capers**, secretary to Dr. Oscar Patterson, director of the Broadcasting program.

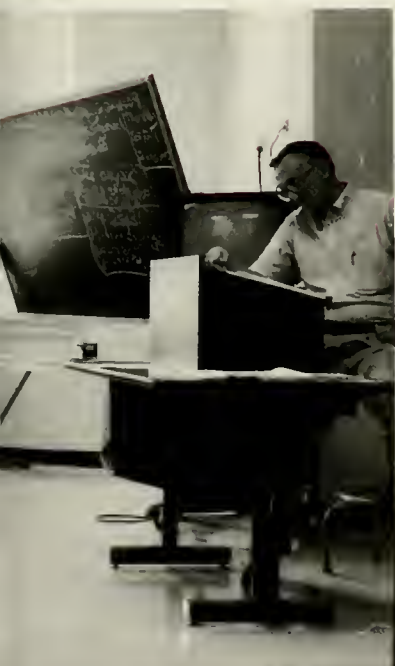
DR. DOUGLAS NORMAN'S students give him their full attention during one of the final Public Relations classes he taught this spring.





SHANNON BRITT CONCENTRATES on the lecture in her Public Relations class.

VISITORS TO OLD Main are welcome to browse among the many exhibits at the Native American Resource Center.



PAINTINGS AND ARTIFACTS teach visitors to the Native American Resource Center about the history of the Lumbee Indians.

WNCP-TV'S STUDENT CREW is on hand to cover the Homecoming parade.



BREAKING GROUND FOR the library expansion are Trey Allen, David Weinstein, Hon. Charlie Rose, Chancellor Oxendine, Dr. Clarence Toomer, Dr. Suellen Cabe, and William Jackson. Rose had earlier announced (inset) that he would donate his Congressional archives to the UNCP library.



A NEW LEAF

Congressman Charlie Rose helped UNCP break ground on August 19, 1996, for the \$2.7 million Sampson-Livermore Library addition. The expansion, built on the site formerly occupied by Sampson Hall and planned for completion in the fall of 1997, will add about 17,000 square feet and will include the library's new main entrance. The expanded structure was renamed the Sampson-Livermore Library in honor of Oscar R. Sampson, chair of the Board of Trustees for 30 years, and Mary Livermore, who was Head of the Department of Religious Education and Dean of Women.

At the groundbreaking, Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine, citing the library as "the heart of the University," thanked the people of North Carolina for their financial support; the expansion was funded by the public-facility bond referendum approved by the voters in November of 1993. He also thanked retiring U.S. Representative Rose for selecting the University as the permanent site of his Congressional archives.

In February 1997, construction continues on the library expansion, planned for completion by the fall of 1997.



Writing Center Staff—Front: Capujene Thompson, Shanda Wheeler, Wendy Jernigan, Lisa Mitchell, Jodie Chason; Back: Veronica Grantham, Corey Crabtree, Ben Gersh, Adam Hall, Natasha Jacobs, Andy Little, Chris Ortega; Not Pictured: Brian Dukes, Charlyne Jacobs, Patricia Ezzell, Marilyn Lutz (Director).

THIS STUDENT USES one of the tables in the library to work on an assignment. Additional study areas will be available when the expansion is completed.

COMPUTERS HELP STUDENTS search the catalog for books on their research topic or find relevant articles in InfoTrac and other databases.



BUILDING THE FUTURE

The recently renamed **SAMPSON-LIVERMORE LIBRARY** supported the academic efforts of students and faculty in all disciplines. In addition to its collection of reference materials, books, and periodicals, the library also provided other resources made possible by advanced technology. Students could use computers to access on-line data bases or to obtain articles from CD-ROMs. They could also search for sources using the library's on-line catalog or call up catalogs of other university libraries. The Internet access available through the library's computers made the possibilities almost limitless.

In addition to using the library as a source of information, many students took advantage of its quiet atmosphere as a place to study between classes. Others used the library's computer lab to work on assignments, especially at night and on weekends when other campus labs were closed.

The temporary closing of some stacks due to construction caused minor delays for those who had to wait for the books they requested. But the helpful staff

did their best to minimize the inconvenience. And everyone looked forward to the improved facilities, including expanded computer labs and individual study carrels, that would be available when the new addition opened in the Fall of 1997.

Additional support for students' academic efforts was available in the **D.F. LOWRY BUILDING**, which housed the offices of **STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**, where students could receive tutoring and counseling in a



THIS STUDENT USES the library's reference area to do research for a paper.

number of areas. Also in the Lowry Building was the **WRITING CENTER**, where students could get help with papers and other writing assignments.

APPLYING SCIENCE

With the Admissions Office's move to Lumbee Hall, the building it formerly occupied became

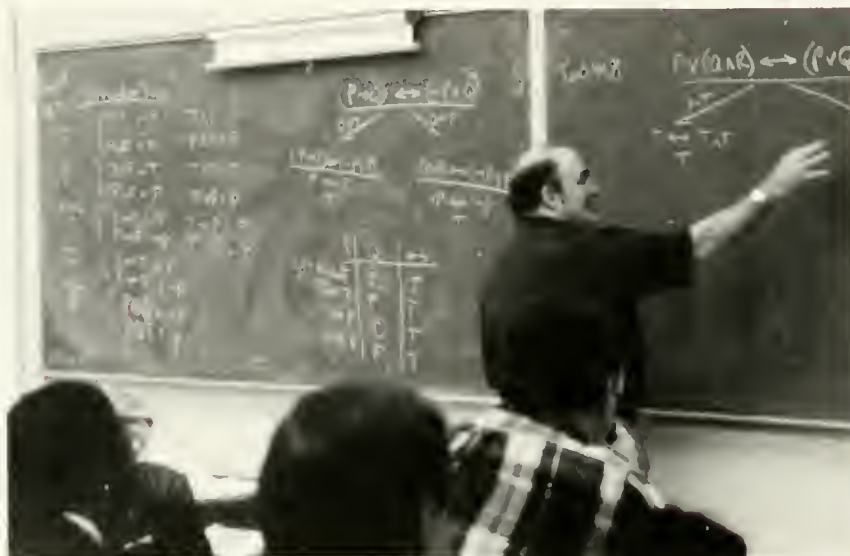
began a new pilot program at Sandhills Community College.

UNCP's other science programs were housed in the OXENDINE SCIENCE BUILDING. The BIOLOGY Department gained one new professor, Dr. Marilu Santos. The PHYSICAL SCIENCE Department welcomed two new faculty members, Dr. Thomas A. Dooling and Mr. Tim

home to UNCP's NURSING Program, celebrating its third year of further educating nurses who already had Associate degrees and wished to pursue an RN or BSN degree at UNCP. Nursing added two faculty members—Dr. Jimmie Williams, a Critical Care/Cardiovascular Nurse Specialist, and Jackie Collins, a part-time Nurse Counselor for the Educational Opportunities Grant—and also

Ritter. And the MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE Department also added two new professors: Dr. Boris Kovalerchuk and Dr. Raymond E. Lee.

BIOMEDICAL TECHNOLOGY IS one of several areas of specialization offered to students in Biology.



DR. WILLIAM CAMPBELL draws his students' attention to logical structures in this Computer Science class.





MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY LAB
Assistant Janice Freeman
prepares material for stu-
dents.

DR. BONNIE KELLEY enlight-
ens the students in her Bio-
logy class.



MS. LINDA HAFER reviews a concept
for Kelly Vanderburg and other stu-
dents in her Introduction to College
Algebra class.

THESE BIOLOGY STUDENTS learn
through reading and class discussion in
addition to working in the lab.

ADVANCING THE ARTS



Performing arts programs were located in several parts of the campus. LOCKLEAR HALL was home to the university's ART Department, chaired by Prof. Paul VanZandt, who described the department by saying, "We're just good folks," adding, "We're a strong, personable department and a cohesive unit." Though the name change had no immediate effect on the Art Department, he was sure that it couldn't do anything

but help the department and institution as a whole

structor; and Dr. Gary Wright, Choral Music Educator. He was very excited about the newly-developed "University Music Society." If successful, he foresaw this as the catalyst to many other prospective programs. According to Dr. Walter, the department hoped to develop an In-House Concert Series, a seasonal event featuring soloists and chamber ensembles.

Tommy Cox, a senior majoring in Music with emphasis on keyboard, originally intended to major in Business, but after taking a Private Piano course, he decided to change majors because of the relationship he established with the people in the Music Department: "They felt like

family." In his opinion, the quality of the education he received was great, and he would recommend UNCP to anyone: "If I had to

choose universities again, I would choose UNCP."

UNCP's THEATRE program, part of the Communicative Arts Department, was located in the GIVENS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (GPAC). Theatre students applied what they had learned in their courses in three University Theatre productions this year: Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* and Richard Rodgers's *Two by Two* on the main stage, and *Greater Tuna*, by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears, and Ed Howard, in the studio theatre.

within the next five to ten years. This year, the Art Department adopted a secondary concentration in computer graphics and planned to have an undergraduate degree program in computer graphics within two years. Art faculty member Dr. John Labadie continued research with an archeological dig in Belize involving a search for Mayan artifacts; Dr. Ann Kleneser delivered a paper at the NC Art Education Association; and Prof. Ralph Steeds designed a water feature for Lumbee Hall, a project the university was working to finance.

MOORE HALL, diagonally across from Locklear Hall on the quad, housed the Music Department. Its Chair, Dr. George Walter, joined our faculty in 1967 when the campus was named Pembroke State College and has witnessed its name change twice: first to Pembroke State University; and, just recently, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke. He has experienced the campus's growth from PSC to UNCP, and he stated that it has been a good evolution.

Dr. Walter noted that there were three new faculty members in his department this year: Bruce Blanton, Woodwinds Instructor; Ronnie Ingle, Brass In-

MUSIC STUDENTS PERFORM in many settings throughout the year. Here, Jazz Choir members help open a local business.





LIGHT AND SHADOW chisel the features of Otto Shane Chamberlain's face as he works on a sculpture in his Art class.

RAT ROSE (GOGO) and John Isenhour (Didi) are *Waiting for Godot* in the Fall 1996 University Theatre production of Samuel Beckett's comedy.



DEBORAH JONES AND Tina Rowan (left) are just beginning work on their pieces in this sculpture class.

DR. ROBERT ROMINE (far left), longtime music professor and director of the university's Concert Band before his spring 1996 retirement, returns to campus in September to receive the Adolph Dial Endowed Faculty Award for community service at the Fall Convocation.

DR. SUELLEN CABE allows these students to get hands-on experience studying rocks during one of her Geology classes.

THESE BUSINESS STUDENTS work on assignments in one of the BA Building's computer labs.



MS. SANDY STRATIL, Director of the College Opportunity Program (COP), is available throughout the year to work with students; COP also provides a writing lab in the BA Building.



DR. DOUGLAS SCHELL of the Business Administration and Economics Department takes a break after teaching his Policy class.



TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS



The BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION Building, more familiarly known as BA, housed several departments that specialized in educating professionals to serve the community, the state, and even the nation.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS majors gained valuable knowledge that prepared them to venture out into the business world. The department achieved educational advancements through the use of the Internet along with the constant widening of course offerings, such as a new marketing course in advertising that was being offered for the first time in Spring 1997. Dr. Tyler Claggett, who became Chair of the Business Department in 1995, was satisfied with the number of majors and felt that enrollment was steady.

SOCIOLOGY, SOCIAL WORK, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE enrollment also remained steady, although the number of majors had increased over the years. These students were able to learn through a diverse

faculty. Each program enabled its majors a chance to gain hands-on experience through various internship programs. By observing others in the field of study,



these majors were able to apply what had been taught in the classroom. Although no new programs were started this year, the department faculty welcomed Ms. Marlene Powell as a new member.

GEOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY also gained a new faculty member this year, with Dr. Dennis Edgell arriving to fill the place occupied for many years by Dr. Elizabeth Kuo.

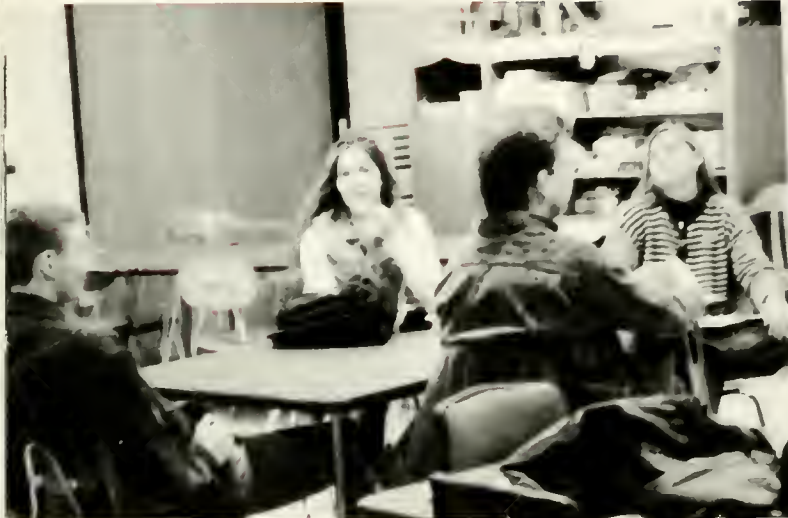


MIKEY CAMPBELL REVIEWS some points with Dr. David Vanderhoof at the conclusion of a Criminal Justice class. UNCP faculty members are known for their willingness to work one-on-one with their students.

DR. FRAN HAGA enjoys a good laugh with her students after their Sociology class. UNCP faculty try to get to know the students as individuals.

HANDS UP! STUDENTS in Dr. Paul Berghoff's Psychology of the Adolescent class practice techniques they will use with their own students.

DURING THEIR WEEKLY meeting, the Teaching Fellows discuss plans for the spring semester.



EDUCATING BODIES AND MINDS

The EDUCATIONAL CENTER was home for three departments, including EDUCATION, which offered a variety of undergraduate and graduate programs for future and current teachers. Its Chair, Dr. Donald Little, noted that a new under-



graduate major, Birth-Kindergarten Education, was introduced this year. Among their faculty, Dr. Ben Chavis was on leave and had been replaced by Dr. Sara Simmons, who taught Foundations of Education classes. The Teaching Fellows

program gained a part-time secretary, Ms. Emma Evans, who also worked in the Freshman Composition office. Education's computer labs were equipped with state-of-the-art multimedia programs, and Ms. Sue Moody, Director of Instructional Technology, was on hand to enable UNCP students and faculty and local teachers to use this technology in the classroom.

The PSYCHOLOGY Department, which offered graduate programs in School and Social Agency Counseling in addition to its undergraduate program, was also housed in the Educational Center; Dr. Kurt Kraus joined their faculty this year, as did Dr.

Natalie Berger. And this building was home for the PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION Department.

The JONES HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTER provided facilities for the HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND RECREATION Department; Mr. Wendell Staton joined its faculty this year.



LOCAL TEACHERS FROM Robeson and surrounding counties use the Education computer lab during a workshop. In-service training for teachers is one of the many missions of UNCP's Education Department.



THE WEIGHT ROOM in the gym is the place to go to pump some iron or take a weight-training class.

THE EDUCATION CURRICULUM Lab is a great place for Education and Psychology majors to review current trends in their field—or do a little homework.

COMMUNICATING

On February 14, the UNC Board of Trustees approved the re-naming of Classroom North as the Adolph L. Dial Humanities Building. Its first floor housed the Communicative Arts Department's programs in ENGLISH EDUCATION and LITERATURE, which lost a longtime faculty

member when Dr. Raymond Rundus retired at the end of the Fall 1996 semester. Mark Canada joined the faculty in the spring as his temporary replacement. Another change in the spring was the long-awaited upgrade of the building's computer lab, used for Composition courses as well as by students in many other classes.

HISTORY was one of two departments on the second floor of the building; it offered programs in History and Social Studies Education. While there were no new faculty, Dr. Robert Brown succeeded Dr. David Eliades as Chair of the department.

Sharing the second floor with History was the POLITICAL SCIENCE Department, which welcomed Dr. Keith Boeckelman to its faculty this year.

FRAN DRIGGERS, CHRIS Bennett, Barbara Danley, and Tanguela Diggs listen intently to the discussion in Dr. Patricia D. Valenti's graduate literature class.

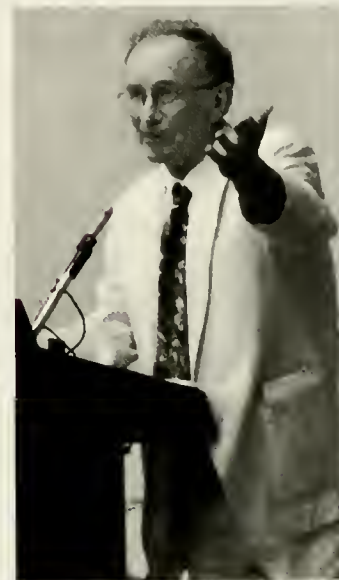
TARA JERNIGAN AND Jon Soles use the Classroom North computer lab to work on an assignment for class during the fall; the lab got new computers in the spring.



• **DR. ROBERT BROWN** (right) represents the History Department at the Fall 1996 information fair.

DR. ELIZABETH NORMANDY (far right) gestures to get a point across to the students in her Political Science class.





STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND guests in the Classroom North Lecture Hall respond to the poems read in honor of Dr. Shelby Stephenson. Among those pictured in attendance are Chancellor Oxendine, writer Margaret Maron, Dr. Philip Barrineau of St. Andrews Presbyterian College, Dr. John Labadie of the Art Department, and CMA colleagues Anne and Dr. Robert Britton, Dr. Robert Reising, and Dr. Cristina Francescon.

DR. STEPHENSON READS emotively from his work.

PROFESSOR-POET HONORED

Three award-winning poets visited the UNCP campus on September 26, 1996, to honor CMA faculty member and poet Dr. Shelby Stephenson. The event, sponsored in part by the North Carolina Humanities Council, recognized Stephenson's manifold contributions to fiction and poetry—as the author of books including *Coastal Plain*, *Plankhouse*, *Carolina Shout!* and *Middle Creek Poems*, and as the editor of *Pembroke Magazine*, in which role he has fostered the work of many other writers.

Participating in the event were Pulitzer Prize nominee Ronald Bayes, whose books include *The Casketmaker* and *Chainsong for the Muse*; Kay Stripling Byer, author of *The Girl in the Midst of the Harvest*, *Wildwood Flower*, and *Black Shawl*; and Isabel Zuber, author of *Oriflamb* and *Red Lily*. After visits to classes and a dinner in the Faculty Dining Room, the visitors joined Dr. Stephenson in the Classroom North Lecture Hall to read from their works.

Organizations

Everybody, at least once in his or her life, should join an organization. Organizations allowed individuals to imagine the possibility of all the new people they could meet and the opportunity to experience new things in their lives. And UNCP was the perfect place to imagine all the possibilities that lay ahead of them.

Organizations and clubs both new and old have always strived for one common goal—to leave a positive, lasting impression on students while still allowing them the chance to grow and change.

Year-round partying, fun, and games were not the only activities that UNCP's clubs and organizations participated in. These groups also performed services to the university and community.

Students this year had the opportunity to unite with peers with similar interests without being lost in the shuffle. And, with the name change having taken place, many clubs and organizations have begun to imagine all the new opportunities and possibilities that lay before them and to await them with open arms.

CAMPUS ASSOCIATION OF
Social Workers members sell
baked goods in the Univesity
Center to raise money for their
organization.





FOR THE PEOPLE

The Student Government Association was once more active on campus to represent students and voice their concerns. In addition to holding regular Senate meetings and staffing a table in the University Center during the activity period to answer questions about its activities, SGA this year published a newsletter as another way of keeping students informed about its work. Under the leadership of President Trey Allen and Vice President Kathy Vasilopoulos, the SGA also took part in many other events, including the campus-wide festivities to celebrate the name change from PSU to UNCP.

The Campus Activities Board, led this year by Steve Tegnalia, was a mainstay in some people's lives at UNCP. Every weekend CAB sponsored a movie in the University Center or Moore Hall Auditorium. CAB was also responsible for bringing live entertainment to campus, including famed hypnotist Jim Wand, who returned once again to amaze, delight, and embarrass people with shows in the University Center and, later in the evening, at the GPAC. CAB also worked with other offices to coordinate such annual events as Homecoming and Spring Fling.

KEN GRISWOLD, SGA President during 1995-96, gets together with current officers Kathy Vasilopoulos, Steve Tegnalia, and Trey Allen at the Christmas party in the University Center.



Student Government Association: Front — Jay Watson, Trey Allen, Katerina Vasilopoulos, Leigh Kinlaw, Amy Bass. Middle — Amy Locklear, Marsha Thomas, Hope Layell, Michelle Kohn, Dr. Diane Jones; Back — Raymond Cummings, Phillip Richardson, Bryon Dukes, Gina Russ, Felicia Tredwell, Olivia Scriven, Dean Medford, Delila Moad, Georgia Gardner, Tosha Carter, Channing Jones, Stephanie Eaton.



TREY ALLEN AND Kathy Vasilopoulos get ready to debate their opponents prior to the Spring 1996 SGA elections.

HYPNOTIST JIM WAND is one of many popular entertainers brought to campus each year by CAB.



Campus Activities Board: Front — Andrea S. Locklear, DeDe Chavis, Erika Yates, Olivia Scriven, Delila Moad, Alex Smith; Middle — Felicia Treadwell, Katerina Vasilopoulos, Trey Allen, Brian Dukes, Stephen Johnson; Back — Abdul Ghaffar, Brian Nance, Kimberly Huggins, Steve Tegnalia, Brian Davis, William Patrick Byrd.

LITTLE MISS LUMBEE takes time out from the NASO Pow Wow for a cool refreshing drink.

SONJA PEARSON, KISHA Durant, other AASO members, and friends gather together for a birthday party in Belk dorm.



African American Student Organization: Kisha Durant, Sonja Pearson, Demetrice Southerland, Alika Thompson, Taneisha Breeden, Ebony Goodwin, Tia Edwards, Marsha Thomas, Trish Hammonds, Bea Ford.



CULTURAL DIVERSITY

The African American Student Organization and the Native American Student Organization really believed in unity and in their communities. These two organizations showed that they were proud of their heritage, individual characteristics, and talents. In order to share their heritage with the rest of the student body and the community, they hosted various cultural events to increase awareness.

AASO hosted and participated in many events during Black History Month. They tried to offer students the opportunity to experience their heritage through various guest speakers. They also hosted some of the weekly dances.

NASO shared their Native American heritage through the annual NASO Pow Wow. The event offered students the chance to observe authentic regalia and Native American dance. Local craftspeople were also

THIS STUDENT ENTERS the circle of dancers participating in the NASO Pow Wow.

on hand to offer items like dreamcatchers to those who were interested.



Native American Student Organization: Front—Yvette Hunt; Middle—Brandi Warriax, Becky Goins, Marty Richardson; Back—Tamara Moore, Sandon Jacobs, Bo Goins, Natasha Jacobs; Not Pictured—Chad Hedgpeth, Greg Richardson, Jessica Locklear

SPIRIT

Amidst all of the hectic schedules that college brought to students, many found the need to add more spiritual extra-curricular activities. This resulted in the growing membership of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Baptist Student Union.

The Baptist Student Union took a very active role in many lives this past year. Commuter lunches, guest speakers and worship meetings were just a few of the numerous activities offered. A major emphasis was placed on educating everyone to know about God.

Ron Sanders, campus minister at the BSU, spent the Spring 1997 semester in Swaziland, Africa heading missionary work with six different churches. He was scheduled to return to Pembroke in mid June. Meanwhile, the BSU continued to encourage unity and welcome newcomers.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes was another faith-oriented organization students could become involved with. This year the group championed a Drug-Free Pledge during Drug Awareness month. They also co-sponsored a special "Strong Man" in January. Between the BSU and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, there was plenty of opportunity for students to participate in wholesome fun, Bible instruction, fellowship, and community service.

STUDENTS AND FAMILIES are always welcome at the BSU Commuter Lunch.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes: Front—Stephen Pippen (Treas.), Chad Griffin (Sec.), Carrie West (Pres.), Melissa West (VP); Middle—Brenda Burgess, Amber Crawford, Terry Bass; Back—Danny Davis, Craig Chapman, Doug Fink, Chris Henson.



CAROL SANCHEZ PROVIDES the music for a BSU get-together at the House.

JOEL BEACHUM SPENDS his spring break in Florida working on houses for Habitat for Humanity, one of many service activities BSU members participate in.



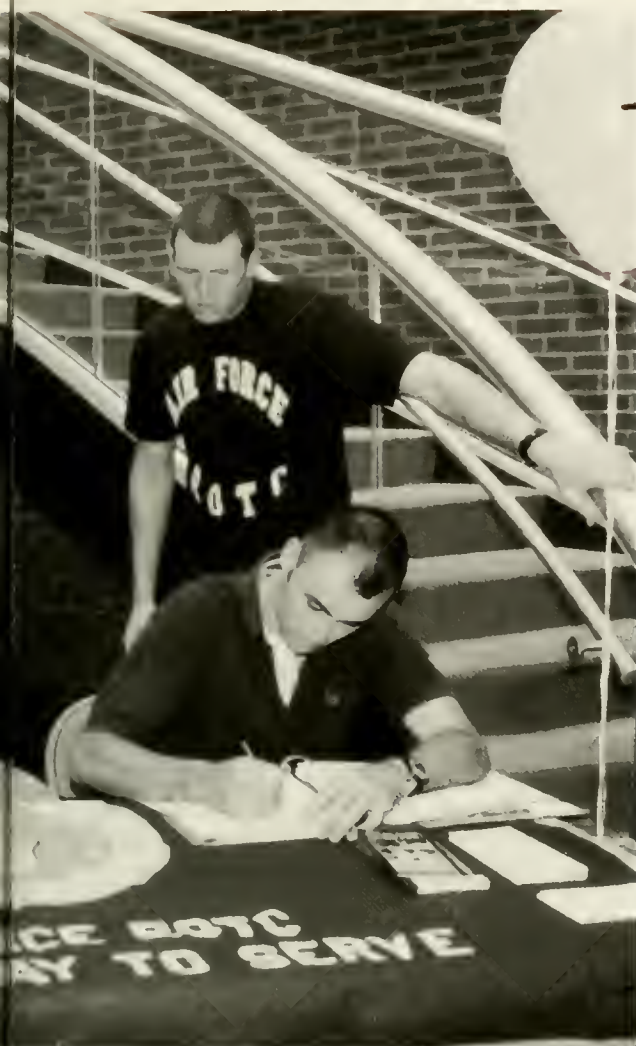
Baptist Student Union members gather at the House for their 1996 Christmas party.

CHAD LAFRENZ AND John Robinson are on hand to provide information about Army ROTC at Pembroke Day.

SELBY SCHWAM AND fellow Air Force ROTC members receive their commissions during the May 1996 graduation ceremony.



Army ROTC: Front — Cadet Johnson; Middle — Kimberly DeCarlo, Carmen Hughes, Ryan Foxworth, William C. Perkins, Chad J. Lafrenz, Andrew Hash; Back — James Trent Locklear, Amy R. Locklear, Johnny Sellers, Anthony J. Mace



CHALLENGES

The Army Reserve Officer Training Corps on the UNCP campus prepared junior cadets for advanced corps. Over the years, the Army ROTC program at UNCP has contributed many commissioned lieutenants to the US Army.

The program challenged the cadets and allowed them to excel in their physical abilities. The Raider Challenge Team, which was open to everyone, was a program that has been a successful way of improving physical fitness. The Raiders have also helped instructors at area high school Junior ROTC classes and did community service at Hoke County Head Start.

The Air Force ROTC program recruited, educated and commissioned officer candidates. It also strengthened each cadet's sense of personal integrity, honor, and individual responsibility. This program enhanced the cadets' potential as leaders and managers through various community service projects. In April, the Air Force ROTC sponsored the first Annual Air Force ROTC Olympics. The Arnold Air Society provided unity

CALEB MALCOLM AND other AFROTC members answer questions in the University Center.

on a personal level and built a relationship among Air Force candidates, in particular within the AFROTC.



Air Force ROTC: Front—Major James Reavis, Andre R. Spicer, Nicole Woods, Theru Brown; Back—Carl Mason, Christopher L. Daniels, Davance Locklear, Demetrus Sutton, Alexander Beckman, Caleb Malcolm.

SCHOLARS

UNCP was proud of its many talented and academically gifted students. These motivated undergraduates were able to become members of various honorary organizations such as Alpha Chi and the Chancellor's Scholars program.

Alpha Chi was the National Honor Society. Inductees into this organization consisted of the top five percent of the junior class and the top ten percent of the senior class. Although its members only met once a year, during the induction ceremony, many of them were also involved in other campus organizations.

The Chancellor's Scholar program enabled exceptional students to enroll in courses of study not usually offered in the curriculum. The scholars were required to complete service hours as part of a mentoring program. These students were able to work with faculty members to develop a senior thesis, work on special projects and attend various seminars.

ALPHA CHI MEMBER
Dawn Meece chats with Beth Labadie at the $\Sigma\Delta$ booth at the Spring 1997 Open House.



Alpha Chi 1996-97 Inductees: Patricia Baker, William Bardin, Susan Bowers, Susan Boyles, Ruth Bracey, Rebecca Brown, Betty Brown, James Martin Bullard, Jr., Charles Bureau, Diana Canady, Carl Richard Davis, Jr., Stephanie Faulk, Christiane Fluellen, Benjamin Gersh, Ramon Jacobs, Tonya Jasinski, Charla Kicenski, Leslie Koch, Sandra Lee, Kathryn Leviner, Amy Lindsey, Monica Ann Locklear, Dee Anna McNeill, Dawn Meece, Catherine Oldham, Norma Jean Paoni, Tammy Lynn Patrick, David Phillips, Amy Pickell, Sherrie Reites, Susan Richardson, Virginia Roberts, Kimberly Roller, Amy Seaman, Marcia Smith, Lisa Stinson, John C. Stroud III, Kathleen Vassaur, Neilson Weatherly, Katherine White.



ALPHA CHI MEMBER Christiane Fluellen takes in the sights on Pembroke Day.

FRESHMAN CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLAR Lisa Mitchell displays the crown and trophy she has just received as the new Miss UNCP.



Freshman Chancellor's Scholars: Front—Errol Daniels, Kassidy Bullard, Lisa Mitchell, Corey Crabtree, Jesse Critcher, Emily Love, Becky Duttlinger, Gina Chavis; Middle—Capjeune Thompson, Wayne Trivette, Linda Hunt, Zane Kellihan, Heather Walters, Lawanda Jones, Kristy Archer, Sharon Butler, Serena Oxendine, Michelle Terry; Back—Josh Steelman, Josh Hutchins, Wendy Jernigan, Adam Hall, Natoshia Jacobs, Jessica Phillips, Carissa Cummings, Jon Robich, Glenn Sampson, Daryl Miller, Lori Green.

MARSHAL GREG HUNT leads SGA President Ken Griswold and other participants into the gym for the May 1996 commencement.

TEACHING FELLOWS HAVE a lively discussion during their weekly meeting with the program's director, Dr. Irene Aiken.



University Marshals: Front—Ramon Jacobs, Teresa Graham (Box Office Asst.), Anita Jacobs (Box Office Asst.), David Thaggard (GPAC Asst. Director); Middle—Tammy Locklear, Ursula Kerns, Michael Morales, Robert Locklear, Setrina Gainey (Chief Marshal); Back—Deidra Graham, Tammy Previtte, Elarce Oxendine, Ron Branch, Benjamin Gersh.



LEADING THE WAY

Keeping people in order is a difficult task for many people. But for Resident Assistants, University Marshals, and Teaching Fellows, it could have been the easiest of their tasks.

Beginning with the Fall Convocation and ending with Spring Graduation, the University Marshals made their presence felt. Whether it was making sure everyone got to their seats on time or passing out programs, the Marshals always had a welcome smile no matter how hard they were working.

The Resident Assistant on each floor in each dorm was a familiar, friendly face to students who had to make their dorms into their home away from home. Always on duty 24 hours a day, the RAs tended towards every one of the students' needs. They were there to make sure students got into their rooms all right and keep the dorms quiet during exams. This year, they also faced the challenge of leading the students to safety during Hurricane Fran.

The Teaching Fellows studied hard today so that they could be the ones to teach tomorrow. Although they were not keeping people in order, they were preparing to keep people in order in the future. These Teaching Fellows were given scholarships throughout their college careers; in return they promised to teach in the schools of North Carolina. They spent a lot of time finding ways to provide better methods of educating children for years to come.



Resident Assistants: Front—Edward Wittenberg, Theric Brown, Eric Wright, Mickey Woodlief; Middle—Russ Jones, Michael Morales, Matt Bogers, Taz Dodson, Neal Smith, Vince Castano, Chad Griffin, Anna Burgess, Ryan Laurie; Back—Keith Barry, Mrs. Locklear, Mrs. Pat, Sabrina Groves, Brian Purvis, Heather Thornberry, Sherry Cop.

BREAKTHROUGHS

The members of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), the Health Careers Club, and the Biology Club, joined this year by members of the reactivated Chemistry Club, all looked to the world of science to help them improve the lives of everyone.

These students were always on the lookout for some type of scientific breakthrough to benefit humankind that they could be a part of—or actually make that breakthrough themselves. However, they did also like to have a little fun, just like any other group. Each of these groups took full advantage of opportunities to keep the UNCP public aware of the things that surrounded them in the world that they lived in. They also got to go on field trips that brought them closer to experiences they studied about, like the Chemistry Club's trip to the Pinehurst Village Brewery, where they got to see how beer was made.

Even though these groups did have their fun, they also kept in mind that their main goal was to get the public interested in the world of science.

BEN GERSH SET up the Chemistry Club's display for Pembroke Day.



Chemistry Club: Front—Janice Foushee, Dr. Len Holmes, Meredith Wilcox, Melinda Davis, Siva Mandjiny; Middle—Keith Miller, Luis Garcia, Dr. Harold Teague, Candie Hellier; Back—Mell Bishop, Dr. Roland Stout, William C. Perkins, Dr. John Reissner, Ben Gersh.



AISES: Orvil White and other members of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society get together in the University Center.



BIOLOGY CLUB MEMBER
Erika Yates presents "live" displays to curious onlookers at Pembroke Day.

NATIVE AMERICAN DANCERS in all of their regalia begin the ceremony at the AISES-sponsored Pow Wow in July 1996.



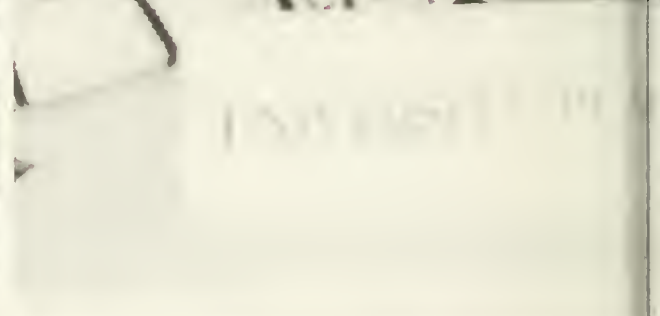
Health Careers Club: Front—Ramon Jacobs, Lisa Jones, Brandon Locklear; Middle—Angelique Jacobs-Burnette, Allen Wilson; Back—Lisa Shick, Jamey Henderson, Torree Jacobs, Marsha Thomas, Richard Davis.



Biology Club: Front—Mary Gray, Michael P. Morales, Erika Yates, Melinda Davis, Meredith Wilcox; Back: Dr. David Zeigler (Co-Advisor), Matthew Cummings, Adam Lewis, Keith Miller, Billy Storms (Pres.), Luis Garcia.

WNCP-TV ANCHORMAN SHANE Parker works with a cameraman to get the best coverage of the Homecoming parade.

THE CONCERT CHOIR, led by new director Dr. Gary Wright, entertains the crowd at Pembroke Day.



Alpha Psi Omega— Amy Bass (Vice President), Alan J. "Rat" Rose (President).



PERFORMERS

Some students saw college as a place where they could prepare themselves to work in labs or in offices from 9 to 5. But others appear to have been bitten by the showbiz bug, and they joined organizations that gave them a chance to polish their performing talents.

The Concert Choir, under the direction of new Music faculty member Dr. Gary Wright, entertained crowds at school functions. The choir also held a Christmas Concert and performed at graduation. New leadership was also the big news for the Concert Band, as Dr. Eugenie Burkett took over when Dr. Robert Romine retired at the end of the 1995-96 year. The band welcomed the crowd at the Fall Convocation and also performed at various other functions.

Where is Godot? was the question that the University Players asked during their Fall 1996 production of *Waiting for Godot*. These students, working on stage and behind the scenes, also entertained their peers in the spring with productions of *Greater Tuna* and *Two by Two*. Two of the Players, Rat Rose and Amy Bass, were also members of Alpha Psi Omega, the national honors fraternity for Theatre majors.

Even though the call letters changed when the university was renamed, the WNCN-TV crew kept students and the community informed with news that affected everyone's lives. And a new show called

Students Speak Out was launched to let everyone know how the students of UNCP felt about University matters.

AMY BASS AND "Rat" Rose are on hand to speak to high school seniors about the University Players at the Fall open house.



WNCN-TV—Victor L. Bonilla, Shane Parker, Bobbie Anderson, Renee Daughtry, Bryant Fergusson, John Lewis, Kristi Carpenter, Kisha Durant, Karen Hayes, Katie Gee, Bianca Falcone, Deidre Capers, Steve Watson, Winifred Winston, Jimmy Hedrick, George Johnson, Dr. Oscar Patterson, Kim DeCarlo

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

With the goal of educating our students at the forefront, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke welcomed organizations such as AEYC, UNCP's Association for the Education of Young Children. The purpose of this association was to keep its members updated on new teaching methods and give them information about other opportunities in the field of Education. Another organization that future teachers could join was SNCAE, the Student North Carolina Association of Educators.

The Campus Association of Social Workers held many fundraisers including a bake sale at Pembroke Day and helped its members stay informed of the changes and opportunities in their field of study. The UNCP Science Education Club assisted with the Regional Science Fair and sponsored an Aquatics Workshop for educators.

Sigma Tau Delta, the honors organization for English Education and Literature majors, continued to sponsor poetry readings throughout the year, including a Walt Whitman reading featuring Dr. Robert Britton of UNCP and Dr. J. Griffin Campbell of Pfeiffer University.



Campus Association of Social Workers: Front—Cyndi Lamb, Leslie L. Hunt, Lorie Smith, June Freeman, Amanda Maultsby; Middle—Lisa Keith, Amy Jones, Amy Foddrell, Lee Ratterree; Back—Sondra Webster, Richard Gomez, Eric Lutz.



Sigma Tau Delta: Front—Beth Labadie (VP), Dr. Cristina Franceson (Advisor), Dawn Meece (Pres.); Back—Barbara Rubino, Stephanie Price Steel, Faye Vaughn, Dr. Monika Brown, Tom Espey.



LORIE SMITH AND other members of the CASW are on hand at one of the many bake sales they sponsored throughout the year to raise money.

ΣΤΔ MEMBERS KEN Griswold, Tom Espey, Mary Wright, Teresa Cummings, and Dr. Cristina Francescon take time out from the festivities of the campus-wide Christmas party to pose for a picture.



Science Education Club: Front — Angela Bullard, Rachel Russ, Dwan Locklear; Back — Dr. Peter Wish (Advisor), Julie Brown, Orvil White.



Association for the Education of Young Children: Front — Tara McGuire, Jennifer Riley, Stella Stewart, Holly Norris (Pres.), Regina Smith, Katherine White; Back — Bonny Cummings, Jennifer Young, Tammy Hooks, Windy Taylor, Amy Woods, April Canady, Dr. Judith Wish (Advisor), Leslie Koch.

PRESSED FOR TIME

The *Indianhead* yearbook staff went through an era of change for the 1996-97 school year; the most difficult task was replacing the successful Editor-in-Chief from the past three years, Allison Alvarez, who graduated in May 1996. Much of the editorial staff from the past year had also been lost due to graduation. So the *Indianhead* looked to Co-Editors-in-Chief for the new school year, with Beverly Ransome and Johnnie Winchester working together with a mostly new staff.

Even though most of the staff had changed, the pressures of meeting deadlines and getting enough photos remained the same. The staff spent countless hours learning the process of how to create a university yearbook. Besides the deadlines that plagued the staff members, another problem was that few students returned to the staff in the Spring semester—a problem that the *Indianhead* hoped to solve in future years.

The *Pine Needle* staff also went through a time of change this year with the appointment of a new advisor, Lisa Stanley-Smith, along with new editors and almost an entire new staff. Hattie Hammonds served as Editor-in-Chief during the Fall 1996 semester and was joined by Stephanie Eaton as Co-Editor in the Spring of 1997.

The *Pine Needle* explored the possibility of changing the newspaper's name to coordinate more with the university's new name, but it was hard to get that idea off the ground. Nevertheless, the staff was striving to keep the UNCP campus informed of current events and find out what students wanted to see in *their* newspaper!



Indianhead: Front—Jennifer Watson, Sara Oswald (Advisor), Beverly Ransome (Co-Editor); Back—Stacey Honeycutt, Johnnie Winchester (Co-Editor), Thomas Espey, Marcus Freeman, Karen Butler. Not Pictured: Dorothy Blowe, Shannon Britt, Kim Callihan, Teresa Cummings, Eric Locklear, Sheri McArthur, Olivia Scriven, Mary Wright.



INDIANHEAD CO-EDITORS

Beverly Ransome and Johnnie Winchester use Pembroke Day as a way to sign up organizations for photo appointments.

PINE NEEDLE STAFF

members Vince Hill and Hattie Hammonds work with smiles and try not to let the pressure get to them.



Pine Needle: Front—Jennifer Pittman, Hattie Hammonds (Co-Editor), Stephanie Eaton (Co-Editor), William (Vince) Hill, Paul Bright; Back—Clint Allen, Brian Dukes, Danielle Carden, Trish Baker, J.J. Kulp, Anetra Lynn Dial. Not Pictured: William Attmore, Richard Gomez, Lynwood Williams, Gus Vasilopoulos, Tom McCaffery.

THE BROTHERS ENJOY the great outdoors and each other's company as they get together for some serious fun after a day of fishing during the Fall 1996 semester.

MEN AND WOMEN of Pi Lambda Upsilon, one of two co-ed Greek organizations at UNCP, hang together in the University Center during spring rush week.

THETA XI BROTHERS display their trophies and other paraphernalia as they try to interest potential members on Pembroke Day, a popular activity for many Greek organizations.



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Alpha Phi Alpha

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Phi Kappa Tau

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GREEKS



TEQUILA VINSON OF AKA enjoys the music and the time off from classes during the campus Christmas party. Greeks participate in most campus activities.

THETA KAPPA SISTERS Stacey Honeycutt, Jennifer Latino, and Amy Bass put their heads together and make plans for the rest of the evening. Members of sororities and fraternities spend a lot of their time together.



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AKA Alpha Kappa Alpha

AΩY Alpha Omega Upsilon

ΑΠΩ Alpha Pi Omega

ΔΣΘ Delta Sigma Theta



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Tri-Sigma

Theta Kappa

Zeta Phi Beta

Zeta Tau Alpha

BROTHERHOOD

Sharing strength, friendship, and concern for their fellow man, the brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Omega Psi Phi, and Phi Beta Sigma used the bond that united them to help benefit others.

The goal for academic excellence was the theme for Alpha Phi Alpha once again as a reminder of why everyone goes to college in the first place. The brothers of Kappa Alpha Psi helped with job placements that would lead to better career opportunities. They also provided tutoring services as well as serving as Big Brothers for children at the Odum Home and sponsoring a canned food drive.

Omega Psi Phi and Phi Beta Sigma also maintained their presence in the volunteer world. They also provided scholarships and sponsored events such as dances and community awareness programs.



Alpha Phi Alpha: Jay Watson, Frankie Wheeler, Chris McIntyre



Kappa Alpha Psi: Carl Mason, Andre Spicer



KAPPA ALPHA PSI brothers Andre Spicer and Carl Mason represent their organization at the Homecoming Carnival.

ΩΨΦ BROTHER RYAN Foxworth shows his Greek affiliation as he pauses outside the Bookstore during Homecoming week.



Omega Psi Phi: Ron Alford, William Crutchfield, Ryan Foxworth, Chris "C.B." Brown



Phi Beta Sigma: Felix Boggan. Not Pictured: Marcus Byers, Brent Campbell, Robert Crumel, Tommy McLean, Reggie McLean, Ramee Treish, Eric Wright.

ACTIVE

The brothers of Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Tau Kappa Epsilon, and Theta Xi and the men and women of Pi Lambda Upsilon continued to be active during the past year. These fraternities were visible on campus during Pembroke Day as well as both fall and spring rush.

The members of Phi Kappa Tau worked on road-side clean up. They also raised money to benefit local children's charities. The members of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia expressed their talents by providing music for various events on campus.

The Pi Lambda Upsilon men banded together with the Pi Lambda Upsilon women to do community work at the Odum Home, along with a Founders Day party that benefited the NC Cancer Institute.

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon were very visible not only because of their large size but their many activities. They once again helped out with the Special Olympics by working at the Halloween Haunted House at Pembroke Middle School. They also went bowling with an adult mentally handicapped class.

Theta Xi, with their third year of existence under their belt, worked to increase membership. They also added to campus life by being involved in numerous campus-wide activities.

CLINTNETTE WILLOUGHBY, SCOTT Dreyer, and R.J. Berry answer questions about ΠΛΥ during the activity period.



Phi Kappa Tau: Front—Jason Hunter, Warren Sealey, Gregory Frick, Ahmed Salim, Kenny Clontz, Rick McAfee; Back—Andy Conway, Larry Waters, James Felts, Ahren Burrage, Steve Schrappner, Chris Bennett.



Pi Lambda Upsilon: Front—Brian Ham, R.J. Berry; Middle—Kevin Leonhardt, Scott Dreyer, Dustin Hardy, Bryan Curry; Back—Robin Smith, Dawn Bouse, Melissa Jackson, Amy Williams, Clintnette Willoughby, Mandi Walters, Elizabeth Stuart. Not Pictured: Bunky Stevens.



NICKLAUS LOWERY AND O'Ryan Lowery pose for the camera during the activity period.

WARREN SEALEY AND Jason Hunter pass the time studying while waiting to answer questions about Φ KT.



Tau Kappa Epsilon: Front—O'Ryan Lowry, William Attmore, Brian Zegar, Heath Pierce, Jonathon Jolicoeur, Chancellor Strickland; Middle—Robert Brooks, Channing Jones, Cameron Pait, Patrick Joyner, Drew Perry, Nicklaus Lowery, Asper Brigman III, Kevin Cuff, Jason Fair; Back—Scott Haslam, Calvin T. Locklear, Frank Cataldo.



Theta Xi: Ray Heasley, Jason Nelson, Shawn Williams, Taz Dodson, Scotty Berry, George Meadows, Vince Castano, Mike Huggins, Lin Wheeler, Andrew Howell, Chad Alexander, Rocky Godwin, Samuel Cabrero, Jason Ruffin, Joe Yench, John Dixon.

ESTABLISHING A BOND

Sororities have always provided the female students of UNCP with a sense of togetherness and belonging. In keeping with that tradition, a new sorority was created this year, Alpha Pi Omega, which served as a sorority for the Native American women at UNCP.

Along with the newly-formed Alpha Pi Omega, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, and Alpha Omega Upsilon all worked with the university as well as the community in order to encourage a strong bond between the two.

Fund-raising, community service, and volunteer work were the main goals for each of these sororities. Alpha Pi Omega worked with the Planned Parenthood project while Alpha Kappa Alpha welcomed resident students on the first day of the fall semester. Once again Delta Sigma Theta sponsored the annual Valentine's Day dance in the University Center.

AKA SISTERS SEANEE
Garris, Angela Gales, and
Rochelle Taylor use the Fall
1996 Information Fair to
promote their sorority to
interested high school stu-
dents.



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.: Front—Rochelle Taylor, Angela Gales, Robyn Amy Dial, Olivia Scriven, Marsh Thomas; Back—Wanda Taylor, Seanee Garris, Tequila Vinson, Andrei Terry.



Alpha Pi Omega: Front—Dwan Locklear, Tabith Strickland; Middle—Traci Locklear, Jessie Locklear; Back—Shenae Higgins, Ursulla Kerns



ΑΩΥ MEMBERS CINDY Wheeler, Eric Locklear, and Medeana Bruton join friend Carissa Oxendine to celebrate the approach of Christmas break.

ΑΠΩ MEMBERS TRACI Locklear, Dwan Locklear, Shenae Higgins, and Jessica Locklear visit Santa during the campus Christmas party.



Alpha Omega Upsilon: Leigh Anne Kinlaw, Heather Thornberry, Andy Hinson, Cindy Wheeler, Medeana Bruton, Sinde Brisson, Brad Steele, Stephanie Price, Eydie Richardson, Eric Locklear. Not Pictured: Coby Outlaw, Hope Gun.

ΔΣΘ

ZΦB AND ΣΣΣ are on hand during the UNCP name change celebration to answer questions concerning their organizations.

MEMBERS OF ZTA are available at Pembroke Day to inform people about the sorority.



Tri-Sigma: Front—Monica Pearson, Ann McVey, Valissa Hester, Marsha Elliot; Back—Melanie Knight, Monique McGovern, Deidra Brown, Kim Davis, Kimberly Watkins, Macey Dail, Donna Brown, Eileen Clark, Kelly Mulroy, Amy Woolsten, Tina Kelling, Monica Sherron.



Theta Kappa: Front—Susen Smith, Anna Burgess, Ryan Laurie, Heather Butler; Middle—Amy Bass, Stacey Honeycutt, Jennifer Latino, Angella Bullard, Renee Daughtry; Back—Jessica Carter, Rachel Russ, Alicia Maettanna.



A FEELING OF FAMILY

One of the biggest dreams of many female college students is joining a sorority. Not only are sororities so attractive to these young women in the sense of friendship; there is also the feeling of family.

The sisters of Sigma Sigma Sigma, Theta Kappa, Zeta Tau Alpha and Zeta Phi Beta all provided that family atmosphere for their members.

The Tri-Sigma sisters did local community work and once again staffed a table at Pembroke Day for any questions about their organization. They also made sure that each of their new members was well taken care of on the third floor of North Hall.

The sisters of Theta Kappa worked to provide a domestic violence workshop for the university in the fall. They also informed students and others with an AIDS Awareness workshop in the spring. And they kept the students' spirits jazzed up by telling them, "Be yourself; it's OK!"

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha and Zeta Phi Beta made their presence felt at school functions such as Pembroke Day, dances, and with interest meetings. Both organizations took the time to volunteer and visit members of the community in order to show that they cared.



Zeta Tau Alpha: Front—Catherine Farabee, Heather Peele, Vicki Cuthbert; Middle—Lorie Cameron, Jenny Cameron, Tara Hester, Farrah Sheppard, Ashley Lawler, Grace Viego; Back—Stephanie Craft, Sallie Busko, Leslie Thomas, Melissa Mocock, Erin Mooney, Stephanie Woodis, Joleen Williams, Tracey Powell, Heather Dennis, Susan Meadows.



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.: Anita Branch, Katina Lee, and other ZPB sisters are on hand for Pembroke Day.

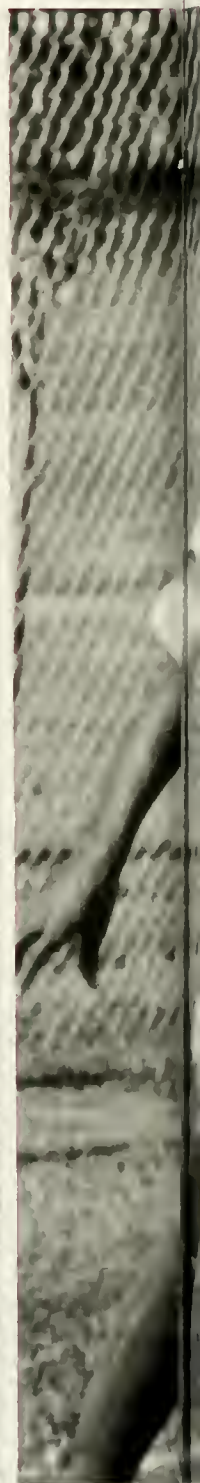
Sports

The possibilities for success were great as The University of North Carolina at Pembroke began its fifth season of competition in the NCAA Division II Peach Belt Athletic Conference—but its first year of play as UNCP.

Soccer, volleyball, and cross country returned as the traditional fall sports, but tennis was added back into the lineup this year after a five-year hiatus. Basketball and wrestling kept fans cheering through the winter, and softball, baseball, golf, and track took the field in the spring.

During the 1996-97 season, the seasoned veteran players were joined by new faces, and the students joined together to cheer the Braves on to victory.

THE UNCP NAME is new, but Corey Leatherwood's determination to move the ball downfield reflects a long tradition of dedication and excellence among the Braves.





Leading the Cheers

The spirit of the UNCP athletic teams was reflected in the enthusiasm and energy of the Braves Cheerleaders. The Cheerleaders' rousing cheers, intricate dance moves, and dazzling acrobatic routines excited and inspired both athletes and fans.

In addition to supporting the Braves during basketball games and other athletic competitions, the Cheerleaders also made appearances at other events throughout the year, including Pembroke Day as well as several local parades. They were also on hand during the bonfire and pep rally held on Thursday evening during Homecoming week.

Along with the cheerleaders, the Red-Tailed Hawk mascot also lent support for the Braves. Responding to the encouragement of the cheerleaders and the mascots, the fans in the stands—students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the local community—were a part of each Braves victory.



1996-97 Cheerleaders—Front: Becky Duflinger, Kim Huggins; Middle: Mandi Walters, Andrea Locklear, Brandy Pittman; Back: Chris McIntyre, Brian Nance, R.J. Perry, Steven Johnson, Felix Boggan.

SOCER FANS GIVE their Braves the home field advantage as they cheer them on to victory.





CHEERLEADERS ARE ALWAYS there on the sidelines to inspire the players and the fans during Braves basketball games.

CHEERLEADING CAN BE an uplifting experience—literally—as Brandy Pittman discovers here.



MARLON DOUGLAS ADVANCES the ball down the field in UNCP's 4-0 victory over Coker College. Douglas, one of the Braves' leading scorers this season, scored the winning goal in this game.

1996 Soccer		
UNCP		Opp.
4	Coker	0
7	St. Andrews	0
0	Lander	2
6	Citadel	3
0	North Florida	3
4	Augusta State	2
2	USC-Spartanburg	0
2	USC-Aiken	0
3	Elon	0
1	Francis Marion	0
5	High Point	0
0	Mt. Olive	0
2	Wingate	3
2	Barton	1
4	Augusta State	1
1	Lander	4



1996 Soccer—Front: Student Assistant Chris Mead, Jerry Johnson, D.J. Jones, Greg Roane, Greg Frick, Ryan Coble, Dean Henderson, Alan Foy, Manager Karen LeMaster; Middle: Manager Wayne Trivette, Tosh Welch, Eric Edmondson, Clint Bishop, Chris Little, Corey Leatherwood, Scott Duncan, Drew Perry, Marlon Douglas, Manager Shaun Queen; Back: Coach Mike Schaeffer, David Laws, Sam Pruitt, Mell Bishop, Chad Morgan, Ronnie Critelli, Chad Griffin, Mikey Fedak, Enrique Cardenas, Jaise Bishop, Trainer Christian Wolfe, Assistant Coach David Mallick



Achieving Goals

To the left, now to the right. No, these aren't steps in a dance, but a description of how the great UNCP players kicked and ran to score a goal. And scoring goals was something the Braves did a lot of during the 1996 season, which was a great year for UNCP soccer.

Overall, the Braves won eleven games out of 16 during 1996, with four losses and one tie, and finished the season with a 5-2 record in the Peach Belt Athletic Conference (PBAC). This was a dramatic turnaround from the previous year's 2-13-1 record. Our team played hard and gave it all they had, especially Marlon Douglas, who scored the winning goals in five games, including four against PBAC rivals. Drew Perry also made a valuable contribution, scoring a team high of 24 points.

One of the best-attended games this season was at home on October 24 against rival High Point. It was a flawless 5-0 victory, with Chris Little scoring the winning goal. Another very exciting home game was against Mt. Olive, a team we beat last year. This year's game went into overtime but ended in a scoreless tie.

The Braves' 11-4-1 season was an effort of the entire team. Despite the loss to Lander in the PBAC tournament, this season's winning record sparked a renewed interest in soccer at UNCP, leaving many fans looking forward to similar excellent performances in the coming years.



JAISE BISHOP MAINTAINS control of the ball during the Braves' opening win over Coker College.

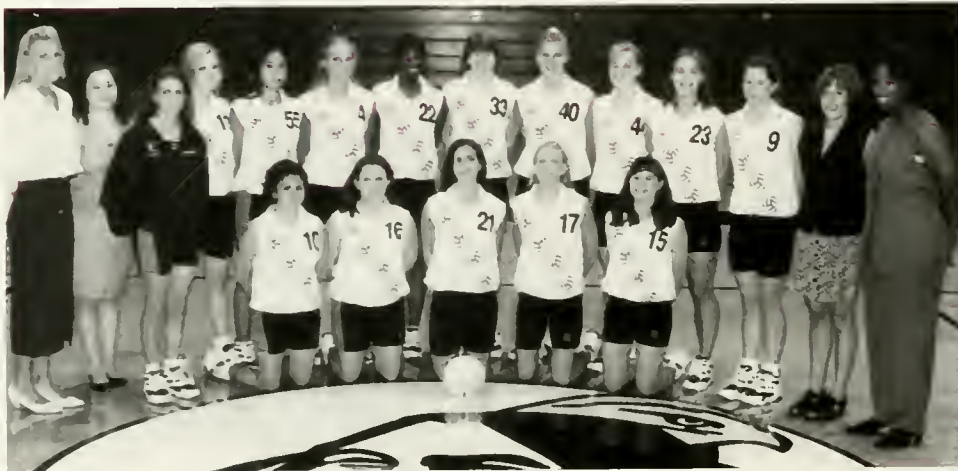
DREW PERRY, ANOTHER leading scorer for the Braves this year, tries to get the ball past the Lander goalie. Unfortunately, the Braves failed to score in this game.

JUNIOR ANDREA COX extends herself to keep the ball in play, with Gulny Vega ready to assist if needed. Cox led the team this year in kills and digs per game.

FRESHMAN CINDY SCOPY leaps high to meet her opponents at the net. Scoby led the Lady Braves in assists this year and tied with Andrea Cox for most service aces.

1996 Volleyball

UNCP	Opp.
0	Armstrong Atlantic 3
1	Augusta State 3
0	USC-Aiken 3
1	Barton 3
2	St. Leo 3
3	Lees McRae 2
3	Barton 0
0	Francis Marion 3
0	Francis Marion 3
3	Mt. Olive 0
3	St. Andrews 0
0	Armstrong Atlantic 3
1	Elon 3
0	USC-Aiken 3
0	USC-Spartanburg 3
2	Francis Marion 3
0	Augusta State 3
3	NC Central 0
1	Fairmont State 3
2	Catawba 3
2	Elon 3
3	St. Augustines 2
0	USC-Spartanburg 3
0	St. Andrews 3



1996 Volleyball—Front: Gulny Vega, Rebecca Barnes, Dina Di Giovanni, Amber Crawford, Shannon Maxwell; Back: Coach Melanie Grooms, Carisa Oxendine, Manager Stephanie Crews, Leslie Thompson, Cindy Scoby, Andrea Cox, LaRhonda Lucas, Esther Towers, Stephanie Woodis, Kelly Hester, Jessica Phillips, Wendy Tyre, Assistant Coach Beth Peterson, Trainer Nicole Hayden





Surfing the Net

The Lady Braves volleyball team had another disappointing season in 1996. In their second year under Head Coach Melanie Grooms, the women ended the season with seven wins against 20 losses, finishing with a 1-11 record in the Peach Belt Athletic Conference.

Strong performances by both veterans and newcomers inspired the team to improve during the season after a 0-5 start. Returning players such as Amber Crawford, Dina DiGiovanni, and Stephanie Woodis helped provide leadership. Junior Andrea Cox once again led the team in kills per game and tied with freshman Cindy Scoby for most service aces.

Scoby, who also led the team in assists, was one of several freshmen who promised to make ongoing contributions to the team in future seasons. Although the team fell short of achieving a winning record, the players really made a strong effort that was appreciated by their fans, who looked forward to improved performances in the years to come.



DINA DIGIOVANNI (FAR left) and Gulny Vega (left) get into position to return the ball.

WENDY TYRE LOOKS on from the bench as Cindy Scoby moves toward the ball.

UNCP RUNNERS SHELTON Mayo, Jon Martinen, and Robert Crumel gear up for a mini-marathon.

1996 Cross Country

Men's Results

Greensboro Invitational	3rd
Pfeiffer Invitational	4th
Francis Marion Cross Country Festival	3rd
UNCP Invitational	7th
Erskine College Invitational	10th
PBAC Championship	10th

Women's Results

Wingate Invitational	1st
Pfeiffer Invitational	1st
USC-Aiken Pacer Invitational	2nd
UNCP Invitational	2nd
Erskine College Invitational	2nd
PBAC Championship	8th



THE ATHLETIC TRAINER takes a closer look at Chad Alexander's injured leg.

MONIQUE MCGOVERN STRETCHES out as she strides ahead of the other runners.

Going the Distance

The 1996 season was another good one for women's cross country, especially for senior Amy Locklear, who has been known throughout her years at UNCP as simply the best. Locklear finished first in four events, backed up by strong showings by veteran Monique McGovern and newcomer Christene White, and ended her final season by being named to the PBAC All-Conference team. Overall, the Lady Braves placed sixth in the conference, with Locklear placing seventh in the PBAC Championships.

The men closed out their season with a tenth-place ranking in the conference. Leading the way was Joseph Cornwell, UNCP's top finisher in events throughout the season. Cornwell placed tenth in the PBAC Championships and joined teammate Amy Locklear in being named to the All-Conference team.



1996 Men's Cross Country—Front: Jonathan Marttinen, Shelton Mayo, Chad Alexander; Back: Derek Thompson, Robert Crumel, Joseph Cornwell



1996 Women's Cross Country—Front: Amy Locklear, Kim Davis, Monique McGovern; Back: Janet Locklear, Christene White, Jenny Bryk

Growing Pains

The men began their 1996-97 season on November 16 at Coker College and hosted their first game at the Jones Center on December 3 against Gardner-Webb. John Haskins returned for his fifth year as head coach, and the Braves welcomed Wendell Staton as their new assistant coach.

Returning starters included sophomore point guard Chavis Rachel and senior Frank Smith. The men played hard but were unable to equal their previous year's winning record, ending the regular season with only nine wins against 17 losses. They were a young team, with freshmen and sophomores dominating the roster, and they looked forward to continued growth and improved performance in the future.





1996-97 Men's Basketball

UNCP		Opp.
52	Coker	68
54	Belmont Abbey	47
72	Presbyterian	76
63	North Florida	73
65	Gardner-Webb	68
63	Belmont Abbey	60
72	Mount Olive	67
64	Augusta State	55
76	Francis Marion	68
53	USC-Spartanburg	70
55	Lander	61
40	Georgia College	73
70	Augusta State	74
68	USC-Aiken	63
64	Armstrong Atlantic	61
78	Kennesaw State	94
68	Columbus State	94
55	Francis Marion	54
57	USC-Spartanburg	71
84	Columbus State	92
64	Lander	70
53	Georgia College	87
73	St. Andrews	78
67	USC Aiken	57
57	Armstrong Atlantic	87
63	Kennesaw State	83
65	Augusta State	51
55	Georgia College	70



1996-97 Men's Basketball—Front: Scott Walton, Derrick Stinson, Chavis Rachel, Phillip Hayes, Chris Brown, L.J. Yarborough, Gerard McRae; Back: Head Coach John Haskins, Frank Smith, Kenneth Williams, Frank Fleming, Ervin Figgs, Mike Lowery, Theotis Gibson, Josh Bell, Assistant Coach Wendell Staton, Athletic Trainer Christian Wolfe.

HEIDI PARKER WORKS to keep the ball away from her opponent.

GRADUATING SENIORS DAPHNE Holland, Iris Bethea, Rachel Garner, and Tanya Smith display a variety of emotions as they accept flowers and plaques during halftime of the February 22 Homecoming game, their last home appearance as Lady Braves.



Making Adjustments

Despite the return of starters Rachel Garner and Andrea Cox from last year's 15-12 team and Iris Bethea's return to the lineup after a two-year layoff, the Lady Braves had a disappointing year. The women were only able to win one regular season game in their second season under Coach Suzanne McBride, ending the year in last place in the Peach Belt Athletic Conference.

As the departing players bade their fans a tearful farewell during halftime at this year's Homecoming game against Kennesaw State, their teammates looked forward to a fresh start and improved performance next season.





SENIOR IRIS BETHEA goes up for a shot against Lander. Bethea made a solid contribution to the team during her years here.



1996-97 Women's Basketball

UNCP		Opp.
51	Fleisher	70
60	Elon	72
62	Catawba	78
66	Wingate	87
65	Augusta State	76
58	Slippery Rock State	66
58	St. Leo	81
64	Francis Marion	86
50	USC-Spartanburg	89
72	Lander	73
83	Georgia College	76
58	Augusta State	75
55	USC-Aiken	48
72	Armstrong Atlantic	60
54	Kennesaw State	67
55	Columbus State	74
68	Francis Marion	81
74	USC-Spartanburg	81
53	Columbus State	74
48	Lander	67
66	Georgia College	84
62	USC Aiken	80
67	St. Andrews	73
62	Armstrong State	78
66	Kennesaw State	64
66	USC-Spartanburg	73



1996-97 Women's Basketball—Front: Jesse Critcher, Daphne Holland, Iris Bethea, Rachel Garner, Tanya Smith, Heather Walters, Jill Munchick; Back: Head Coach Suzanne McBride, Assistant Coach Beverly Justice, Heidi Parker, Andrea Cox, Tamika Nicholson, Beth Rivenbark, Esther Towers, Michelle Mitchell, Talissa Baker, Grad. Asst. Joseph O'Neal, Manger Stephanie Crews.

Pursuing a Quest

UNCP's wrestlers were "on a quest to be the best" this year according to Coach P.J. Smith, who had spent the summer working with the best in the world at the Atlanta Olympics. The Braves once again did well in dual meets, despite some losses to some of the top-ranked teams in NCAA Division II.

In addition to dual meets, the Braves also hosted the 16th annual UNCP Classic in November and traveled to several other tournaments. At the Pensacola Christian Tournament, Brent Campbell, Allan Wilson, and Craig Frazier all advanced to the championship round; UNCP's Buddy Batson won the heavyweight title and was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler.



1996-97 Wrestling—Front: Ricky Smith, Michael Deeney, Justin Winans, Dexter Cole, Keith Haith, Errol Daniels, Trey Brown, Jason Talley, Charlie Butcher, Jeremy Kozup, Mickey Woodleaf, Trevor Gilmore, Kristian Stewart; Middle: Eric Darr, William Hellmuth, Daniel Stevens, Travis Daye, Mark Woodlief, Donta Fairey, Daniel Willard, Jay Silhan, Christian Lamprecht, Kennie Alexander, Craig Frazier, Charles Harris, James Gianotti; Back: Coach P.J. Smith, Anita Wofford, Michael Parlier, Richard Wilson, Bill Attmore, Patrick Joyner, Russell Jones, Buddy Batson, Jason Galloway, Brent Campbell, Ben Davis, Jonna Fahrenbruck, Doug Fink.





BRENT CAMPBELL GRABS his opponent from the front to get him down on the mat.

ALLAN WILSON ATTEMPTS to pin his opponent during a home match.



1996-97 Wrestling		
UNCP		Opp.
15	Campbell	22
39	Anderson	3
29	Lungwood	14
37	Norfolk State	12
9	Pitt-Johnstown	38
12	Shippensburg State	28
45	Mansfield	12
24	Kutztown State	16
11	Findlay Roughneck	53
3	West Liberty	50
24	Pensacola Christian	20
9	Tennessee-Chattanooga	41
26	Apprentice	16
30	Delaware State	10
12	NC State	23
18	Gardner-Webb	22
33	Longwood	7

1996 Softball

WVCP

Opp.

4	Mount Olive	12
2	Mount Olive	18
0	Mount Olive	8
1	Mount Olive	16
0	Elon	17
1	Elon	10
3	New York Tech	7
6	New York Tech	7
10	Barton	14
9	Barton	1
0	Francie Marion	3
0	Longwood	6
4	Newberry	9
6	Francie Marion	11
0	Kennesaw State	15
5	Kennesaw State	21
1	Columbus	14
0	Columbus	10
3	USC-Spartanburg	12
10	USC-Spartanburg	7
7	St. Andrews	4
11	St. Andrews	10
8	Augusta	13
2	Augusta	7
3	Georgia College	9
5	Georgia College	11
2	Lander	10
1	Lander	4
17	St. Andrews	16
11	St. Andrews	14
5	Newberry	2
4	Newberry	11
0	USC-Aiken	4
3	USC-Aiken	5

BONNIE LOCK-
LEAR FOCUSES
on
a baserunner.

OUTFIELDER BRANDY
PITTMAN wears shades to chase
down flyballs on sunny days.



1997 Softball—Front: Kathy Torres, Gloria Scheer, Bath Baxley, Jill Munchick, Vicki Cuthbert; Middle: Ashley Grier, Keyla Bell, Michelle Terry, Shannon Maxwell, Daphne Holland, Stephanie Shelton; Back: Head Coach Melanie Grooms, Rachel Garner, Wendy Tyre, Dina DiGiovanni, Heidi Parker, Sherry Severs, Assistant Coach Teri Beasley.

WENDY TYRE
LOOKS to throw a
runner out while
playing in the infield.





Facing Challenges

The 1996 season was a challenging one for the Lady Braves. There was plenty of team spirit and valiant effort as the team came under the new leadership of coach Melanie Grooms.

Keyla Bell, Braves veteran, led the team with 17 RBIs and a batting average of .414. The team was credited with keeping opponent homeruns down to just three per game for the entire season. The Lady Braves finished out the season with a 5 - 29 record.

Anticipating the 1997 season, the Braves prepared to enhance their record and condition themselves for the increasingly stiff competition. Although a few veteran Lady Braves would retire from the game, the team looked forward to the rookies who would grace the field this spring.

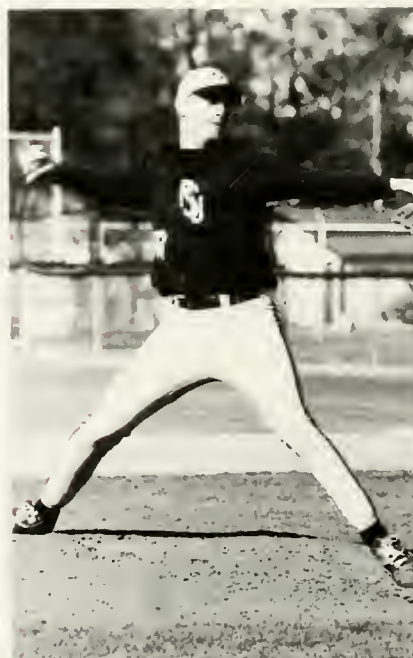
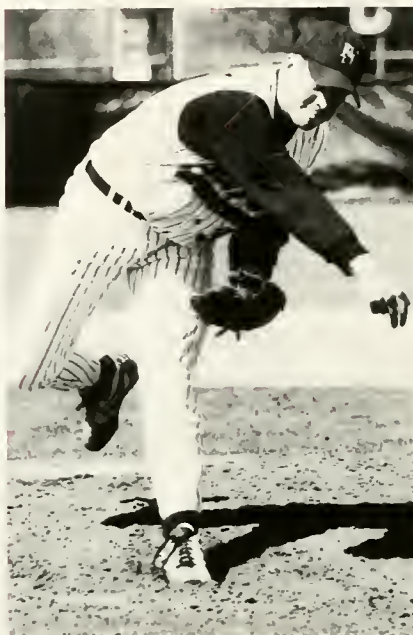


DAPHNE HOLLAND ATTEMPTS to tag out this base runner with her quick instincts.

1996 Baseball

UNCP		Opp.
4	High Point	11
12	High Point	3
10	Catawba	9
2	Catawba	3
7	Wingate	5
2	Francis Marion	14
4	Francis Marion	2
0	Francis Marion	6
6	Mount Olive	12
10	Presbyterian	9
3	USC Spartanburg	4
8	USC Spartanburg	6
10	USC Spartanburg	11
12	Belmont Abbey	10
1	Armstrong State	2
2	Armstrong State	6
16	Armstrong State	6
6	North Adams State	5
8	Mount Saint Mary's	13
9	Tufts	2
9	SUNY-Utica	1
16	Springfield	6
2	Shepherd	6
5	Shepherd	6
3	Shepherd	7
3	Wingate	7
16	North Adams State	7
1	Georgia College	8
4	Georgia College	7
4	Georgia College	3
0	Kennesaw State	2
0	Kennesaw State	3
4	Kennesaw State	1
9	Belmont Abbey	6
3	USC-Aiken	2
6	USC-Aiken	5
5	USC-Aiken	1
8	Augusta	7
5	Augusta	3
5	Columbus	7
2	Columbus	5
0	Columbus	8
6	St. Augustine's	1
9	St. Augustine's	1
5	Georgia College	2
7	Georgia College	6
3	Georgia College	6

THIS BRAVES PITCHER concentrates after releasing his pitch.



HOPING FOR A strike is the goal for this Braves pitcher.

THIS BRAVES SECOND baseman attempts a double play.



THIS BRAVES HITTER aims for the fence with a fastball.



Breaking Even

The Braves broke even in their '96 campaign, playing .500 baseball with 24 wins and an equal number of losses. They also improved their conference record for a second straight year to 11 - 16 in the Peach Belt Conference.

Hard work and selfless dedication were the hallmarks of a season that, with a few breaks, could have easily resulted in several more ticks in the win column.

The Braves eagerly approached the '97 season with the goal of improving team and individual performances. With graduation came the loss of several team members; however, the team anticipated the arrival of new talent and elevated their expectations for the challenges ahead.



1997 Baseball—Front: Coach Danny Davis, Robert Bloomberg, Cam Hudson, William Green, Kenny Clontz, Blake Miller, John Ferguson, Kent Barefoot, Ronnie Locklear, Mike Carson; Middle: Jon Heafner, Devance Locklear, Eric Fletcher, Jamie Snead, Caja Ormand, Jason Lockhart, Brick Hill, Adam Thompson, Joe Daughtry, Mike Clewis; Back: Kenny Faulk, Trey Brasington, Kelvin Hunt, Brian Currie, Hank Cherry, Mell Bishop, Rick Plante, Ryan Bullard, Sam Guy, Jason Ruffin, Josh Steelman, Kevin Moss, Asst. Chris Henson.

1996 Track & Field

Men's Results

Braves Track Classic: Second overall and in 4 x 100 relay; Joshua Robertson, 1st in hammer, 2nd in shot and javelin; Maurice Perry 1st in long jump, 2nd in 100m and 200m.

Carolinas Invitational: First in 4 x 400 relay; Maurice Perry 1st in long and high jump, 2nd in 100m; Joshua Robertson 1st in hammer and shot; Clarence Gentry 1st in triple jump; Chad Alexander 1st in 400m; Reggie McClam 1st in 400m; Tim Locklear 1st in javelin.

Francis Marion Invitational: Craig McMillan 3rd in 10,000m.

Emory Track & Field Classic: Joshua Robertson 3rd in shot; Reggie McClam 4th in long jump.

Women's Results

Braves Track Classic: First overall, 2nd in 4 x 100 and mile relays; Jonquil Funderburk 1st in hammer; Monique McGovern 1st in 1500m; Amy Locklear 1st in 5000m.

Carolinas Invitational: Tied for first overall; 1st in 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relays; Joan Callahan 1st in long high jump; Tanisha McKinney 1st in 100m; April Fancher 1st in 5000m.

Francis Marion Invitational: Joan Callahan 2nd in 400m; Monique McGovern 1st in 5000m.

Emory Track & Field Classic: April Fancher 12th in 5000m.



AMY LOCKLEAR MAINTAINS her stride as she enters one of the final laps at an on-campus meet.



1997 Women's Track and Field—Front: Monique McGovern, Bernia Ford, Tanya Monroe, Sonja Pearson; Back: Head Coach Larry Rodgers, Jonquil Funderburk, Nicole Woods, Joan Callahan, Janet Locklear.



Keeping on Track

The men's track and field team has another successful season in 1996, with continued strong performances from Maurice Perry, Clarence Garrett, Reggie McClam, Joshua Robertson and other veterans. The men finished a strong second overall among the eight teams who participated in the Braves Track Classic on March 23. And they took first place in many events in the fourth annual Carolinas Invitational, held on our campus on April 19. Maurice Perry was named MVP in Field Events for the second year, and Larry Rodgers once again took Coach of the Year honors at this event.

The Lady Braves also did well in their second year of competition. The women won the Braves Track Classic and put in strong team and individual performances at the Carolinas Invitational, where they won both the 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relays.

CHAD ALEXANDER EXTENDS himself in the 400m intermediate hurdles, the event he won at the Carolinas Invitational.



1997 Men's Track and Field—Front: Head Coach Larry Rodgers, Nick Autry, Cedric Coleman, Jake Bishop, Joe Cornwell, J.J. Kulp, Robert Crumel, Assistant Coach Mike Schaeffer; Back: Keith Dodson, Aaron Carter, Gerard McRae, Shelton Mayo, Trey Bailey, Chad Alexander, Eric Darr.



A FAST START out of the blocks is the goal of this UNCP sprinter.

Swinging into Action

Until this year, UNCP had not had an organized tennis program since 1992. The ladies' team began its season on February 15, playing such top ranked schools as Armstrong State, Georgia College, North Florida, Francis Marion, Augusta State, and Columbus State. Tennis coach Dr. Brenda Burgess told *The Pine Needle* at the start of the Spring semester, "To play in this conference, the players must be 'mentally tough' because other colleges get international players to play." Coach Burgess also said this year's team had a lot of local talent, and the fans looked forward to seeing them put it to use.

This year for the golf team was somewhat of a transition. After just getting used to their new coach Ricky Williams, he was replaced this year by Wendell Staton. All in all, though, the team had a pretty good season with most of their team returning from the previous year.

MATT MCINTYRE TAKES a swing at the golfball and sends it flying down the course.



1996-97 Golf—Front: Neil Locklear, Matt McNeil, Jon Michael Robish, Head Coach Wendell Staton; Back: Steve Pippen, Matt McIntyre, John Lewis.





NEIL LOCKLEAR ATTEMPTS a putt during one of the many tournaments the team participated in this year.



1997 Tennis—Dr. Brenda Burgess (Coach), Amy Davis, Kelly Hester, Melissa West, Amber Crawford, Carrie West, and Terri Bass.

People

In Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, "To be or not to be?" was the question of the hour. As incoming freshmen to The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, this was the question that reverberated through our minds. In the ensuing years we explored many of the abundant opportunities available on our unique campus. We were beneficiaries of an environment characterized by high academic standards, impressive student-professor ratios and a multiplicity of extracurricular activities.

As maturity transformed vacillation to resolve, we found the possibilities endless and the challenges innumerable. Dreams gave way to accomplishments and tentative feelings to determined pursuit.

For departing seniors there was no more wavering, but confidence and direction. The struggles to reach this moment had been great at times, but the goal always remained in view on the horizon, continuously increasing in clarity and focus. There was a sense of irrevocable accomplishment and the question asked a few years earlier received its answer: **I am.**

MARY WRIGHT AND Roger Campbell explore the possibilities contained in one of the many books they will read as UNCP students.





Seniors

Senior status—finally! Four year seemed like an eternity when we first started college. We'd just finished high school and then we found ourselves with another obstacle to overcome: college. However, for many of us, what we thought would be an eternity now seemed like only yesterday. It was time to look back at all we'd accomplished and experienced at PSU—oops!—UNCP: all the good times and bad, all the late-night study sessions and strenuous term papers, and of course all the friends that we had made.

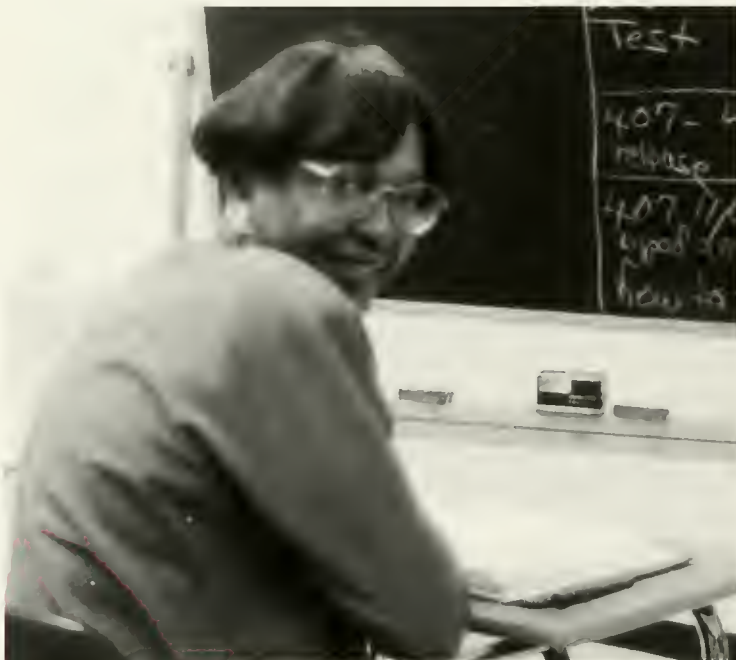
Now those experiences were almost behind us. Mandatory and necessary trips to the library would retire themselves to become leisurely and desired trips. Late nights of bottomless cups of coffee would be replaced by

peaceful sleep. Hours of preparing for class would soon turn to memories.

The overwhelmed freshman, the searching sophomore, the confident junior, had finally become the successful senior.

It was now time for us to look toward the future and wonder, What the heck am I going to do with my life after graduation? Many of us would leave this place, our home away from home for four years, ready to conquer the world and leave our marks; others would go off to graduate school hoping to prepare ourselves even more for survival in the "real world."

Congratulations to the Class of 1997. The possibilities before you are endless. Use what you have learned during your years at UNCP, and your imagination, and make the most of them.



SENIOR JOURNALISM MAJOR Toni Lofton takes a break from preparing her notes before the start of class.

ANGELA SPRY AND friend enjoy the events, the sunny weather, and one another's company at Pembroke Day.



"We are ready to try our fortunes. . ."



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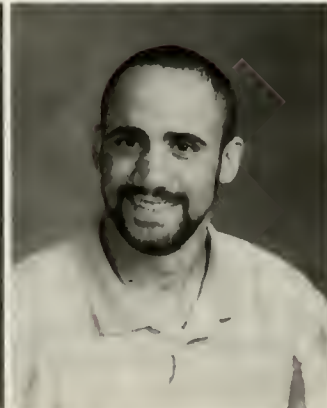
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Success Accessible

Trey Allen was a very busy person. Aside from being president of Student Government Association, he found time for other clubs and organizations. He was involved in such groups as Alpha Chi, the Baptist Student Union, and the Chancellor's Scholars. Trey noted that "all of these things have enriched my experience at UNCP." He also kept very busy with schoolwork, carrying a double major in Political Science and Philosophy. When asked why he chose these majors, Trey answered, "I enjoy brain exercises and the study of government."

Trey commuted to UNCP from his hometown of Lumberton, which he described as "quaint." He has lived there all his life. He had little spare time away from his SGA responsibilities, which included overseeing the entire organization, serving on an array of committees, and being a

member of the UNCP Board of Trustees. He did find time to work part-time at Currie's Chainsaw as a parts salesman as well as playing baseball and reading, things he loved to do.

Trey decided to attend UNCP because he received a scholarship. Trey said, "I feel that in many positive ways UNCP is unique in the UNC system, and that it is thoroughly underrated." When asked if he would recommend UNCP to others, he said, "I will use my motto: 'UNCP success accessible.'"

Trey was relieved to be a senior but did not expect to spend his senior year as president of SGA; that came as a shock. Trey will miss much about UNCP, but he will miss the affable faculty the most. He planned to go to law school at UNC-Chapel Hill after graduating.

Trey's advice to underclassmen was, "You are here to learn, first and foremost, but have fun doing it, because I have." His final remarks were, "The past four years have been my most enjoyable ones so far."

SonSerria Amaral



AT SPRING FLING Trey Allen helps make everyone's life a little cooler with snow cones.

TERRENCE McMILLAN, JIMMY Pittman, and Anita Evans chat in front of the University Center.

SENIOR DAVID BROOKS *smiles after enjoying a meal at Bert's with a group of friends.* **BOBBIE ANDERSON**, *A senior Broadcasting major, gets into the Halloween spirit.*



Sunny Skies

Kisha Durant was born and raised in Fairmont, North Carolina, and has lived on campus since her freshman year. Kisha felt that being away from home was a good experience; it allowed you to make your own mistakes and learn from them. Kisha first enrolled as an Education major, but as time passed she realized that being a teacher wasn't something she really wanted to do. She switched to a major in Broadcasting and served as the weather anchor at WNCN-TV. After graduating from UNC Pembroke, Kisha planned to attend graduate school at ECU or Central and study Speech Pathology.

Kisha was not only involved with the university's television station but also UNCP's African American Organization for Students (AAOS). This organization was not just designed to bring together

African American students but those of other nationalities as well.



I guess you could say it was fate that drew Kisha to Pembroke. She felt that this university had a "laid back" atmosphere. She liked the small classrooms and the one-on-one contact with her instructors. Kisha called Pembroke a "suitcase" school, meaning most students packed up on the weekend and headed for home.

Although Kisha was a senior she didn't feel like it. At one point in the interview she stared out her dorm room window overlooking the sunny, picture-perfect campus and said, "I'm twenty-one years old. I'm still young. I'm not ready for the real world yet. I wish I was still a freshman." Kisha advised entering freshmen to "study hard, but in the process enjoy what you are doing."

Celeste Ward

"Let's lack no discipline, make no delay. . ."



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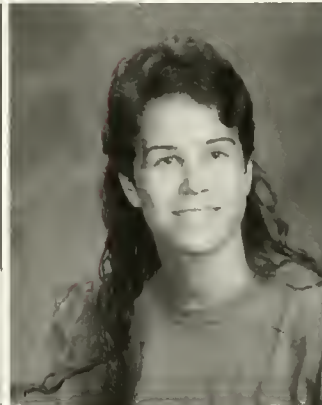
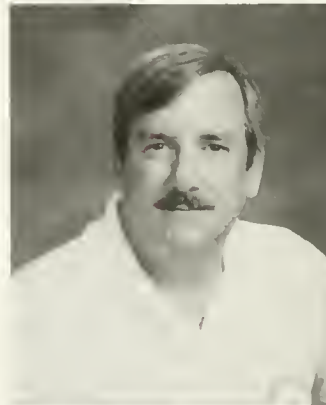
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SENIOR SCIENCE EDUCATION Major Willard Powell walks across the quad on a sunny autumn afternoon..

THIS DANCER CAPTIVATES the crowd at the Pow Wow, one of many events that honor UNCP's Indian heritage.



Dave's World

Dave Kinnon Phillips, called Dave by his friends, was a 21-year-old senior at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Dave was born and raised in Fayetteville and lived on campus in West Hall. Some advantages Dave saw in dorm life were that he liked the comfortable and secure feeling along with the closeness of the room, which provided a retreat area between classes. Dave felt his study habits were better in the dorm; not being on the road allowed more time for the serious-minded student. Campus living also allowed more time for social interests and interactions with other students. When commuting back and forth, personal interaction time was minimized because of tight scheduling.

Dave was majoring in Biology with a Biomedical emphasis. He was an ambitious and aggressive young man who knew what he believed and what he wanted. With this attitude

he planned to attend medical school upon graduation. He hoped to be an asset to society by providing treatment and preventive care to physically afflicted people. Dave was also involved in BSU, an organization he felt could be a positive influence, providing fellowship and spiritual involvement for the students.

Dave chose UNCP for its local hometown flavor and its small size. He was also impressed with its academic standards. He thought the school had a good ratio of students and professors along with a broad-based curriculum. Dave would and will recommend UNCP to all interested. Dave felt good about the accomplishment of making it to his senior year. "The fulfillment of personal goals set by myself and those set by others for me is quite rewarding," he said. He will miss the availability of the professors and the solid friendships that have been established here.

Randy Jordan



Incentive to Succeed

Lisabeth Benson, a senior Biology major, came to UNCP as an Incentive Scholar. She chose the Pembroke campus for her undergraduate education because of its close proximity to her Ft. Bragg home, which she visits on weekends, and because of the handsome scholarship UNCP offered.

"Lis," as she is referred to by friends, has enjoyed the education and campus life here at Pembroke. "The smaller classes and individual attention I received" were qualities she identified as among the benefits of an education at UNCP. Her good academic relationships with professors and the close ties she was able to build with friends also added to her positive experiences here.

Over the past four years Lis has been active as a peer academic leader (PAL) and a tutor for students in economics, math

and biology. During the Fall 1996 semester, she wowed the audience at the GPAC by winning third place in our annual Talent Show. As her prize-winning performance, Lis sang a beautiful rendition of "Love Can Build A Bridge."

Lis's future plans included graduate school. She had applied to many; however, she was hoping to be accepted by the University of Texas or Texas Women's University in Dallas. Lis intended to become a physical therapist, utilizing her UNCP minor, applied gerontology, to serve the elderly primarily.

"I'm looking forward to graduate school, and I'm ready to move on," Lis stated. She indicated she had no regrets regarding her UNCP education. She urged underclassmen to stick to their goals and avoid

acquiescing to peer pressure.

Karen Butler



SENIOR CHEERLEADER
FELIX Boggan enjoys a break in the gazebo.

THIS STUDENT PROUDLY
wears his Native American regalia at the annual NASO Pow Wow.



"O, how full of briars is this working-day world!"



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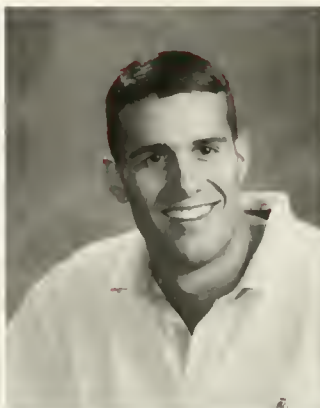


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Target in Sight

Brian Purvis was a senior from the little town of High Falls, NC. Brian lived on campus and believed that would help him to be self-sufficient in the real world. It had also helped him to make friends while he was here.

Brian was a Social Studies Education major and had a lot of praise for the faculty and the department. He was also involved heavily in campus life, including BSU, football, basketball, the Ambassadors, student government, missions, and the Social Studies Department. "A teacher once told me," Brian said, "that 'you are a revolver, loading the bullets that will help you in hitting the target of life.' I want my revolver loaded with diverse things."

Brian believed UNC Pembroke had an atmosphere unique to any institution in this state, and he would

recommend it to anyone who is interested in a good education, a well-rounded college experience, and a home, a place where they can be involved and be somebody. Brian's advice to entering freshmen was to study and prioritize your time.

Looking back over his senior year, Brian said, "I realize the hand is reaching twelve and it's almost over, and I have no regrets about my college life. It's been really exciting and I hope to go out with a bang."

Brian wasn't sure about the type of job he would seek or where he would find it, but he hoped to find a position related to teaching or religion. He said he would miss how quiet the campus was on weekends and the many people he has met. UNCP has prepared him for the "real world" by teaching him the value of diversity.

Marvin Seals



AMY LOCKLEAR AND some friends prepare for an Army ROTC presentation at Pembroke Day.

LOUNGING ON A bench outside the University Center, this student does some midday reading out in the sun.

JON JOLICOEUR TAKES a break from the cafeteria to eat a commuter lunch at the House.



JOE MOORE SITS in the Quad and looks over his notes one last time before his test.



Don't Stress

Angela Joyce, a senior member and refounding sister of the Theta Kappa sorority, has enjoyed her four years here at UNC Pembroke. Angela, otherwise known as "Hoochie Mama," said that although Pembroke is a small town, she comes from an even smaller town: Silar City, North Carolina. She described Silar City as "Mayberry," which is ironically appropriate, since Silar City is the home and burial place of the actress who played Aunt Bee on the long-running television show, *The Andy Griffith Show*.



Angela was majoring in Biomedical Technology and in her four years here she had not once changed her major. She said that during the past four years she has learned to work with other people, even if she doesn't like them, through her experiences at UNCP and the time she has spent serving on the Panhellenic Council.

"Hooch," as she was often called by her fellow residents in North Hall dorm, liked the size of UNCP. She would recommend it to others, she said, because "You get out of it what you put into it."

She offered the following words of advice to apprehensive freshmen: "Don't stress, 'cause

Kelly Vanderburg

it'll all be okay."

"The fire in the flint shows not till it be struck."



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Gloria Locklear

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Elementary Education
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Journalism/English Literature
Raeford



Denise Long-Tomczewski

Criminal Justice
Spring Lake

Rebonda Lowery

Business Management
Pembroke

Eric Lutz

Social Work
Hillsborough



Anthony J. Alace

Criminal Justice
Hope Mills

Caleb Malcolm

History
Pembroke

Patricia Maynor

Elementary Education
Pembroke

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Randall C. Meek

Biology
Fayetteville

Donald R. Metcalf

Business Management
Lakeview

Robin M. Miller

Elementary Education
Fayetteville



Evelyn L. Milsap

Management
Parkton

Kimberly Mueller

Elementary Education
Fayetteville

Claine Nance

School Social Work
Lumberton



Michael Nickels

Business Management
Kokomo, IN

Suzanne Owen

Social Studies Education
Fayetteville

Amy Oxendine

Political Science
Lumberton



Mike Oxendine

Physical Education
Matthews

Kenea Page

Sociology
Rowland

Jennifer Parker

Sociology
Lumberton



UNCP'S ARMY ROTC color guard presents the flags at Pembroke Day.

JACK GIBSON AND Kathy Vasilopolous enjoy the fall sunshine to discuss a previous class.



Never Too Busy

Philip Daniels, when asked about UNCP, said: "A lot of people do not know what the school actually stands for. Many consider it to be an Indian school, and in actuality, it is a lot more. Also, people outside of the surrounding area do not know where the school is and what the school is. We get more exposure with the name change because we are associated with the UNC system."

Philip was a very dedicated senior with a major in Public Relations who loved his school. Many freshmen saw Philip during their first week here. He is part of the P.A.L.S. organization, and he helped many confused freshmen schedule their first semester classes. He gave one word of advice to the beginners: "Manage your time wisely and try to balance the amount to study with the time to socialize. It is very important to have both in order to get

the experience of college, but don't have more of one than the other." Philip

was a member of the Ambassadors, A.P.P.L.E. Corps, and the NC Youth Advocacy internship program. He was also active in the BSU, serving as communications coordinator and sending out the monthly newsletter.

Philip didn't have much free time between his classes and the many clubs and organizations, but being involved was something he thoroughly enjoyed. "Doing this is giving me a chance to interact with my peers, and spending time with my friends is something very important to me," he said. He added that it's how you meet many people and form friendships. And the friends you make here, you will have for the rest of your life.

If you ever saw Philip just walking by, he might have been in a rush, but he was never too busy for a smile.

Rene Norrod



Hang Time

Franklin L. Smith Jr., known on campus as Frank, was a graduate of Pine Forrest High School in Fayetteville and a ten-year resident of this state. Frank gained an interest in recreation during summers in Fayetteville which he spent working for the Parks and Recreation Department running a program for children ages five to eleven. It is this background which led to Frank's decision to change his major to Recreation Management after one year of majoring in Sports Medicine.

A basketball scholarship enabled Frank to gain the education he needed to face the real world. "As a senior, I am happy and sad knowing that the real world is right around the corner, but with my UNCP experiences I feel like when problems occur I'll know how to solve them," he said. He went on to say that he

liked the people he has met at UNCP, and he'll miss the times he had, "just hanging out with the boyz."

As a resident on campus, Frank appreciated the convenient access to necessary facilities such as the library, gymnasium, and cafeteria, even though there were some disadvantages to living on campus. As a people person, he said that he could get along with everyone.

Recommending UNCP to high school seniors was something that Smith said he'll do, since UNCP is a small school and students enjoy a good one-on-one relationship with their professors. Further, the cost is not as much as other schools.

Frank's advice for entering freshmen was to hit the books hard from the start, because it would be difficult to pull your G.P.A. up if you

Trey Bailey



SEAN SUGGS USES his backpack as a pillow as he takes a break outside and catches up on some sleep between classes.



SENIOR COMPUTER SCIENCE major Beverly Ransome takes a "break" from editing the yearbook to study for a test.

"I turn my back. There is a world elsewhere."



Michael Parker

History
Lumberton

Amie Denise Pridgen

Social Studies Education
Red Springs

Beverly A. Ransome

Computer Science
Rowland



Jill Ray

Criminal Justice
Fayetteville

Teepa Reaves

Business Management
Whiteville

Cydie Richardson

Community Health
Pembroke



Hawhana O. Rising

Business Education/Sociology
Lumberton

Jennifer Rowe

Biology
Lumberton

Gina Russ

Elementary Education
Fayetteville



Ahmet Atif Salim

Business Management
Pembroke

Amy Seaman

Elementary Education
Fayetteville

Amy Renee Smith

Political Science
Chapel Hill

Phyllis D. Smith

Elementary Education
Raeford

Susan Smith

Elementary Education
Moncure

Gloria Spaulding Sorensen

Art Education
Lumberton



Cheryl Squirrel

Recreation
Baltimore, MD

Alan D. Stewart

Physical Education
Chadbourn

John C. Stroud III

Psychology
Fayetteville



Marsha J. Taylor

Chemistry
Lumberton

Marsha Thomas

Bio-Med
Elizabethtown

Geraldine Thompson

Sociology
Chadbourn



Jim Thurman

Recreation Management
Gibson

Stephanie D. Wall

Elementary Education
Fayetteville

Kimberly Watkins

Social Work
Chadbourn



Equal Opportunity Guy

Alan James Rose was better known as "Rat" to most of the UNCP staff and students. He was born in Canada and lived there until he was ten years old. It was then that he moved to North Carolina.

After graduating from high school, Rat decided to attend UNCP, then Pembroke State University. Some of his reasons for choosing UNCP were the student-to-teacher ratio and the fact that UNCP was a small college near home.

Rat was majoring in Theatre and served as president of the University Players and Alpha Psi Omega, an honorary theater fraternity. He also worked at the Givens Performing Arts Center.

Since beginning his freshman year, Rat has been

involved in all but one of the performances staged by the University Players. This past year, he performed one of the leading roles in the university's production of Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*.

Last year Rat caused some controversy when he was nominated for Homecoming Queen—and won. When asked why he decided to run for Homecoming Queen, he simply said, "Because they didn't offer a contest for a Homecoming King." Although some of the alumni didn't seem to like it that Rat won, most of the student body thought that it was pretty cool.

When asked for some final words, Alan James "Rat" Rose replied: "Goats rule!"



Cindy Scooby



REGGIE McLEAN CONCENTRATES intently on some homework after class.

HEATHER THORNBERRY, STEPHANIE Price, Medeanna Bruton, and Eric Locklear relax together at the end of a long day.

Business Oriented

Ahmed Atef Salim was born in Jordan, where he spent most of his life before coming to the United States. He arrived at UNCP in pursuit of a degree in Business Management, a major which he found to be interesting and challenging. Ahmed considered industrial engineering and computer science before settling on his present course of study.

Ahmed also served as the social chairman of Phi Kappa Tau, an organization which helped him to better his communication skills and leadership abilities.



Ahmed chose UNCP for its small, personal setting. He was happy to be a senior, but he said he would be sad to leave the many friends he has made at the university.

After graduating, he planned to move to Charlotte and find a job in the "real world" that UNCP has prepared him for.

When asked what advice he would give to freshmen, Ahmed's reply was, "Don't party too much, and don't forget about your academics."

Chip Harper



OLIVIA SCRIVEN AND Steve Tegnella promote SGA and CAB by handing out cups and other items celebrating our new name.

GRADUATION IS THE moment all seniors look forward to, and Allison Alvarez is glad that it has finally come for her.

"I came, saw, and overcame."



Richard Jay W. Watson

Psychology

Rowland



Neilson Lee Weatherly

Criminal Justice

Hamlet



Christene White

Special Education

Pembroke



Corey White

Social Work

Hamlet



Robert Williams

Criminal Justice

Fayetteville



John L. Willis

Computer Science

Hope Mills



Joshua D. Willis

Criminal Justice

Hope Mills



Johnnie Winchester

Public Relations

Reidsville



Kitty Winchester

Social Studies Education

Rockingham



Penny Woolard

Social Work

Fayetteville



Amanda E. Woolston

Public Relations

Jacksonville



Melissa M. Wynne

Chemistry/BioMed

Pembroke

Joan M. Young

Sociology

Laurel Hill

Mitchell Young

Psychology

Hamlet

Selene L. Young

Criminal Justice

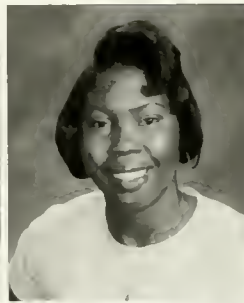
Lumberton

through the crowd in search of
"convicts" for the BSU Jail-a-
Thon at Homecoming.

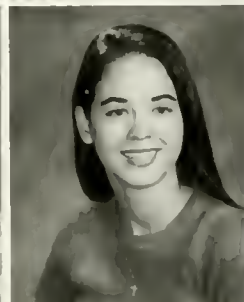
circle to participate in the NASO
Pow Wow.



Gale Adams
Fayetteville
Patricia Leigh Baker
Lumberton
Talissa Baker
High Point
Tito Bercedoni
Fayetteville



Amy Blake
Rockingham
Ken Boyd
Lumberton
Stephanie V. Brooks
Pembroke
Jamie Darian, Brown
Robbins



Juniors

Being a junior was very different from being a freshman or a sophomore. By now, juniors had had a taste of hard work and some difficult classes. They were now taking the more challenging upper-level courses where they had to stay on top of things. There was a good side to this, though, because they had more background and interest in what they were learning. Being a junior also meant that you got to register earlier for the next semester's classes. Juniors were not rejected by the computer due to classes being filled quite as often as before.

By the junior year students had come to know more of their professors and classmates. They knew people whom

they could ask for advice on what classes to take, what professors to avoid, etc. Also, juniors had a greater sense of security; even though they may have felt they were running against the clock, at least they had some definite idea of what direction they were going in and where they wanted to end up.

With the increased security, however, came additional responsibility. Grades became more important, so juniors often found they needed to spend more time hitting the books. When combined with work, family, and other demands on their time, this could lead to greater stress than in earlier years. The higher the

status, the higher the expectations seemed to be.



Cynthia Browning
Lumberton
Capricia Burrell
Durham
Latosha Byrd
Burlington
Cynthia Cates
Garner



Amy L. Chavis
Red Springs
Illyn Chavis
Pembroke
Sherry Cox
Sanford
Macey Dail
Lucama



Sharon Renee Daughtry
Mt. Olive
Ben Davis
Dublin, VA
Gillian Davis
Lumberton
Edwin R. Dawson
Autryville

Happy-Go-Lucky

Hattie Lee Hammonds, editor of the *Pine Needle*, commuted from Lumberton. "I stayed on campus for 3 days and 2 nights," she said, and that little bit of time in the dorm was enough for her. She likes people, but as a commuter, she was able to go home every night to her own bed and shower; the downside was that she was often very tired because of her long hours, and the drive back home could be stressful.

Hattie was majoring in English and minoring in Journalism and Spanish. Her original major was Business. "But I wasn't a strong math student," she said, "just great in communications." Hattie worked sixteen hours a week with her parents, who own a janitorial service, and the rest of her time was spent with the newspaper, being a PAL and an Ambassador, and serving on the Spirit Committee for SGA. Hattie said the newspaper took up a huge amount of time but she enjoyed it because "It allows you to meet new people. None of us look alike, and the paper allows me to enjoy a combination of the UNCP students." Hattie said that students make the school and that all

the experiences she's had here will help her in the real world.

When asked what aspects of UNCP she would change, the first word Hattie blurted out was "dances." "If the dances wouldn't be so late, everyone [commuters] could participate," she said. What she did like were the support services, campus security, and athletic programs. She really appreciated campus security because of the late nights she put in at the newspaper office. "They're the ones that watch out for me when I'm working late," she said.

Hattie said she absolutely loved this place and promoted it to others. She had no favorite teachers; she adored the whole staff. She did mention a special appreciation for Dr. Tom Leach. "Dr. Leach has a way of 'centering' people," Hattie said with a smile. "He's helped the paper out and helped me personally." When asked how she dealt with the stresses of her very full academic life, she replied, "I think you should have a 'Happy-go-lucky'

attitude....don't take everything so seriously." Hattie summed up things by saying, "It's life. If it doesn't take me completely down, I can keep going."

Christina R. Johnson



Shelly Demery
Pembroke

John F. Dixon
Maxton

Sara Dixon
Durham

Aimee Elizabeth Dunn
Pembroke

Stephanie Eaton
Fayetteville

Thomas W. Espey
St. Pauls

Michelle Faircloth
Stedman

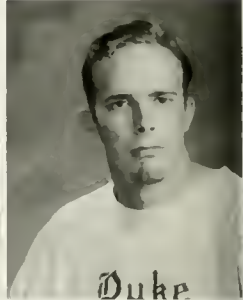
Jeffrey A. Farlee
Beaufort

Jason Faulk
Whiteville

Christiane Fluellen
Hope Mills

Nelson Freeman
Rowland

Jerry Glover Jr.
Laurinburg





THIS COMMUTER ENJOYS the home cooking and the conversation at the BSU House.

AFRICAN DRUMMERS HOLD the crowd's attention and provide music for the dancers during A Taste of Culture.



Hattie Hammonds
Lumberton
Camille P. Hayes
Wilmington
Christy C. Hayes
Whiteville
Katherine Hinson
Whiteville

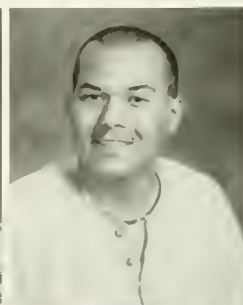
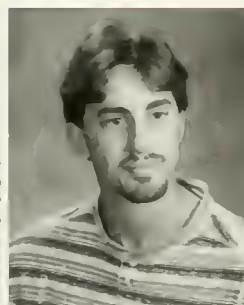
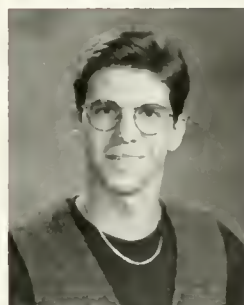
Tara Jernigan
Lumberton
Cynthia M. Lamb
Lumberton
Kristen Lassiter
Clarkton
Phillis A. Lea'Kes
Red Springs

Kathy Vasilopoulos rushes to another one of her many meetings.

Her friends stop to talk in the Quad after class on a sunny autumn day.



John Lewis
Clayton
Calvin Locklear
Maxton
Eric Locklear
Lumberton
Janet Locklear
Fayetteville



Michelle K. Locklear
Pembroke
Tammy Lynn Locklear
Pembroke
James Malcolm
Pembroke
Amanda Mandtshy
Carolina Beach



On a Journey

Tara Jernigan, a junior majoring in English Education, commuted from Lumberton, where she has lived all her life. Some of the advantages about being a commuter were that she got to see her two younger sisters and an older brother fairly often, and she liked the fact that she could lead two separate lives. The only disadvantage was that she didn't have enough time for interaction with other students.

Tara chose to major in English Education because she enjoyed her CMA 102 class. She loved the different dialects of English. Also, she loved to have interaction with high school students, having had the opportunity to teach her youth group Bible study and English as a second language. She thought that the Education Department had a wonderful faculty who were interested in each student individually. However, she did feel that the department could use more grammar classes.

Tara was an extremely involved person. She was active in the Baptist Student Union and the Peer Academic Leaders. "I feel that these organizations have strengthened my lead-

ership abilities," Tara stated. In her spare time she loved to spend time with her family and with other students, sing in her church choir, and travel.



Tara chose to attend UNCP for many reasons. It was close to her home, she liked the size and the atmosphere, and the professors were very personable. "I would recommend UNCP to others because of the Indian heritage, the culture, and the hands-on experiences you can get," said Tara.

After she graduated next year, Tara planned to attend foreign missions for two years with the "Journymen," a program at her church.

"The thing I like best about UNCP," said Tara, "is the opportunities that we have to get involved with campus activities." She felt that college had matured her and she had gained wisdom about life. To entering freshmen she advised, "Have fun, but learn responsibility and allow yourself to grow."

Tara felt that her years at UNCP were the best years of her life and have had an impact upon her life that she will remember forever.

Kellie Strickland



Teresa Maxwell
Raeford



Shelton Mayo
Kenly



Sheri McArthur
Maxton



Lorna McNeill
Lumberton



Margo Menley
Rowland



Amy Mills
Ellerbe



Michael Paul Morales
Autryville



Gerald Brian Nance
Southport



Evelyn C. Norton
St. Paul



Elarce Oxendine
Pembroke



Stacy Oxendine
Pembroke



Tammy Lynn Patrick
Bolton

The Virginian

Benjamin Alexander (Ben) Davis came to UNCP from his hometown of Dublin, Virginia, which he described as a small rural community that is very close-knit and a town where news gets around very quickly.

Ben was an on-campus resident in West Hall and said one of the advantages of staying on campus was that you had easy access to the facilities and the educational services (library, computer labs, tutoring services, etc.). The disadvantages included loud neighbors, easy distractions, and constant peer pressure from friends. Ben felt these advantages/disadvantages of dorm life would make a person mature due to new responsibilities and decision making. A person living on campus also learned to respect others' beliefs, religion, background and culture. Academic progress also greatly benefited because of the easy access to educational services located near your dorm.

Ben had declared a double major in Criminal Justice

and Sociology. He planned to seek employment in the field of criminal justice, but hadn't chosen a definite career field. Ben was also a member of the UNCP wrestling team and felt

that being a student and an athlete was the top college experience. Although it was very time demanding, it taught him self-discipline.

Ben chose to attend UNCP because of its rural location, the smaller student-to-instructor ratio, the exceptional wrestling program, and the tri-racial community. Ben's favorite professor was Dr. Vanderhoof, because of his out-of-the-ordinary, attention-keeping method of teaching.

Ben said the name change didn't really affect him, but he believed that carrying the UNC name will give students more academic and financial opportunities. In closing, he said that

attending a small, rural, out-of-state university had helped him mature, gain many new, close lifelong friends, and receive an exceptional education.

Mitch Cummings



Beverly W. Reams
Oxford

Joey Reaves
Roxboro

Phillip Richardson
Evergreen

Melanie E. Russell
Lumberton

Olivia Scriven
Fayetteville

Jon Soles
Autryville

Angela Spry
Laurinburg

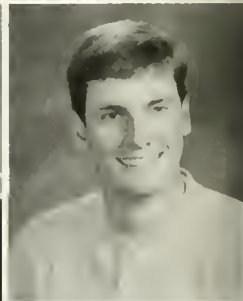
Robert Studebaker
Wilmington

Amanda Taylor
Wagram

Brenda Terry
Laurinburg

Felicia Treadwell
Kinston

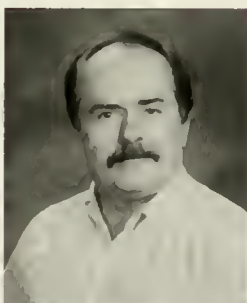
Jeffrey Neil Walker
North Wilkesboro





*STEPHANIE LATON EN-
DURES yet another rainy day
during the Fall semester.*

*FELICIA TRIADWELL TIES
some balloons as she helps deco-
rate the campus for Family Day.*



Jennifer Watson
Fayetteville
Tilden Watson
Rockingham
Jennifer B. Webb
Ellerbe
Carrie West
Vass



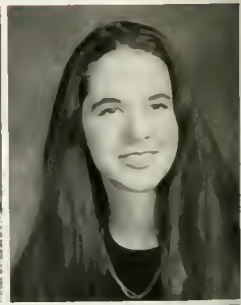
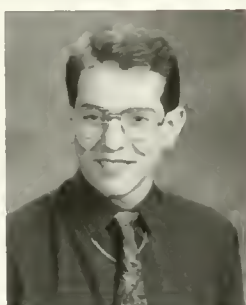
Carolyn White
Fayetteville
Orvil White
Pembroke
James Doyle Worriax
Pembroke
Mary Wright
Rockingham

JOHN ISENHOUR ENTERTAINS friends outside the University Center with a humorous rendition of "The Waitress Song."

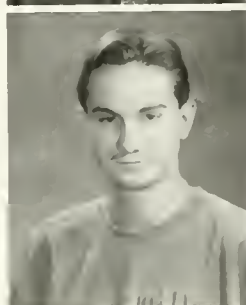
BYRON JONES STROLLS across the Quad on a sunny day.



John C. Allen
Hope Mills
Melissa Anderson
Fayetteville
Amy Bass
Farmville
Tracey Beasley
Fayetteville



Luke W. Benson
Ft. Bragg
Karen Butler
Fayetteville
Michelle Campbell
Racford
Danielle Carden
Haw River



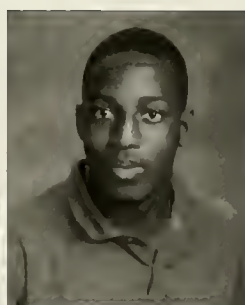
Sophomores

Sophomores, having experienced one year under their belts, were now able to enjoy all the thrills and rewards of an education here at UNCP. Sophomores had learned to manage their time more wisely. There was the challenge of taking tougher classes along with rigorous hours of studying late into the night. Sophomores took on the challenge and worked well on their way to becoming juniors. But there was still plenty of time to have fun because, after all, sophomores were just freshmen with a little more experience.

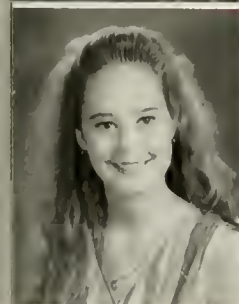
Your sophomore year was usually filled with a little less apprehen-

sion and a bit more responsibility than your first year of college. This was mainly because by this time you were well-adjusted to the college environment and had to begin to concentrate on your overall GPA and deciding what exactly you wanted to major in. Even this new-found responsibility usually didn't keep sophomores from having a full social life.

The second year was one in which to remain focused yet relaxed. Sophomores were no longer the "new kids on the block"; there was a comfort level in familiarity. Sophomores knew what was expected and paced themselves for the goal ahead. They were ready and able—because they "knew the ropes."

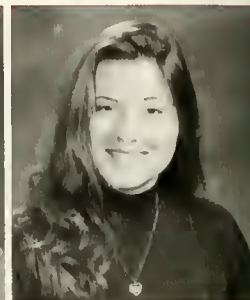


Robert E. Chavis
Pembroke
Deanna G. Cook
Lumberton
Robert Crumel
Bailey
Natasha Cummings
Pembroke

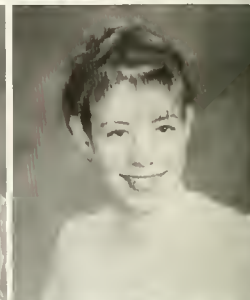


Coreen Daniels
Fayetteville
Ronnean Deese
Rowland
Alisa L. Dial
Pembroke
Tomikia Fields
Fayetteville

Benjamin C. Gersh
Fayetteville
Ebony Goodwin
Laurinburg
Jennifer Marie Hall
Selma



Whitney R. Hammonds
Lumberton
Stacey Honeycutt
Fayetteville
Sonya Hasler
Lumberton



Kenneth Hunt
Lumberton
James S. Jackson Jr.
Fayetteville
Latonya Jackson
Lumberton



Last Miss PSU

Heather McPherson, a sophomore History Education major, was the last student to represent the university as Miss PSU, the title she won in November 1995. The title changed along with the university's name, and this past November Heather crowned her successor, Lisa Mitchell, as Miss UNCP.

Heather felt that UNCP had more to offer than other universities, primarily because of the close relationship between students and professors. Her favorite professor was Dr. Eliades because he made history interesting.



Heather was a commuter and found traveling to school by herself could get boring, but by living at home she was able to get more school work accomplished.

Heather has lived in Laurinburg, North Carolina for nineteen years. She was a waitress at Pizza Inn, working only about twelve hours a week so it didn't interfere with school work. She also competed in pageants and performed at events on and off campus. "The more you get involved, the more people you will meet," said Heather.

S. Frances Fletcher





Matt Jacobs
Clinton
Pamela Jacobs
Maxton
Sandon Jacobs
Bolton



Torree Jacobs
Maxton
Aimee Kaukola
Lumberton
Jennifer Latino
Fayetteville



Crystal Locklear
Lumberton
Delisa Locklear
Rowland
Jessica Locklear
Wagram



BRANDI WARREN SMILLS
after being crowned as the new
Miss NASO.

WITH SUNSHINE as his back-
drop, Robert Crumel enjoys the
Pembroke Day celebration.

ADRIANNE BUNCH is the Student Life Editor Stacey Honeycutt some pointers on layouts for her section.

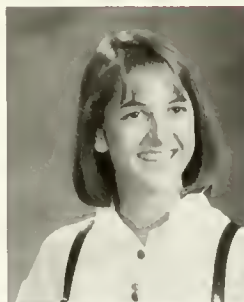
KELLY BROWN shoots some pool in the University Center game room, a popular place to spend time between classes.



Marie Locklear
Pembroke

Mary Locklear
Maxton

David L. Lowery
Pembroke



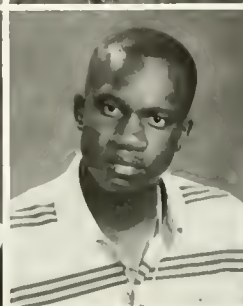
Michael Mahalak
Siler City

Matt McNeill
Pembroke

Hope Norris
Pembroke



Crystal Odum
Lumberton
Chavis Duane Rachel
Fayetteville
Connie Roper
Red Springs



California Girl

Tiffany Hosmann, originally from California, was one of the few UNCP students from out of state. Asked why she moved to North Carolina, Tiffany said, "I moved here with my husband, who is in the military, and chose UNCP because it was the best school in the area."

Tiffany had many interests outside of school. She was an avid swimmer who worked out to improve her physical fitness. Her favorite pastime was spending time with her husband and two dogs. She was interested in finishing her degree in Business and,

eventually, applying for a CPA license. Tiffany really enjoyed all aspects of UNCP. Security was very important to

her, and so was the student-to-teacher ratio: the professors knew you by name and by face instead of by a number. Tiffany's favorite professor, Mrs. Bell in the Business Department, has made the transition easy and been an inspiration. Tiffany enjoyed the way Bell made information interesting and easy to understand.

From Sacramento to Pembroke is a long journey, but Tiffany said, "Anyone can make it if they receive the help I have."

Mike Hosmann



Alex Smith
Rockingham
Helena Smith
Rowland
David Stein
Lumberton



Kelly M. Stewart
Raeford
Patrecia Taylor
Winston-Salem
David Wayne Trivette
Union Grove



Brandi Warriax
Maxton
Melissa West
Vass
Kevin Lee Whitmore
Laurinburg

Freshmen

For most freshmen, college was challenging and in a way scary. Some entered college right after high school, while others began their college careers later in life. But whether 18 or 30, the freshmen, full of anticipation and energy, were ready to begin their college experience.

For most of us, becoming part of college life was terrifying yet exciting. Freshmen were introduced to UNCP during two sessions of Orientation that lasted about 3 days. They took a series of placement tests, but don't get the wrong idea. There were also many fun activities, such as

the freshman mixer and the cookout. And before long, after the dreaded task of registration and finding our way around campus, things were no longer strange and foreign but had become our accepted, familiar surroundings.

Some freshmen moved on campus, and their lives changed for the better. Suddenly, they had independence. Others chose commuting over residency and faced early waking hours and frustrating drives to and from school. And there were

also classes, studying and decision making. Many were overwhelmed with the abundance of opportunities available on campus.



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Fayetteville

Dorothy L. Blowe
Lumberton

Sarah-Lynn Brown
Fayetteville



Jennie Bryk
Lumberton

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Dede Chavis
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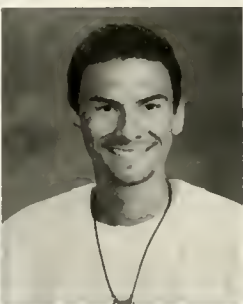




KIM CALIHAN AND Dorothy Blowe enjoy the shade on a perfect fall day.



CHARLES CROMARINI HAS some time out to enjoy the afternoon sunshine in the Quad.



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Laurinburg
Michael Floyd
Raleigh
Marcus Freeman
Pembroke



Christopher Gardner
Supply
Amy M. Godfrey
Durham
Rufus Graham
Maxton
Keith Haith
Graham



Jaycie Hall
Red Springs
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MICHAEL D. PROUDLY shows his completed research paper to Kelly Vanderburg and other students in his CMA 105 class.

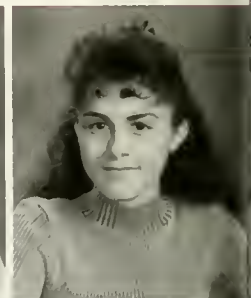
ADAM HALL SPENDS some of his free time at one of the tables outside the University Center.



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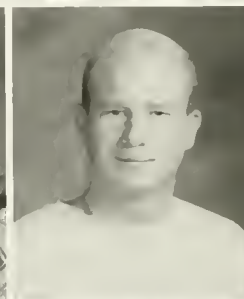
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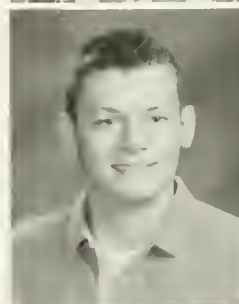
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Cerro Gordo



Jackie E. Kulp Jr.
Waxhaw

Karen M. Lemaster
Sanford

Clay Locklear
Laurinburg



Making a Difference

Rebekah Chantay Revels was a freshman from St. Pauls, where she has lived all her life. She described her hometown as "small, friendly, and clannish" and added, "It's got lots of character; I love it."

A dorm resident at UNCP, Rebekah noted that while living away from home allowed her to experience a taste of independence, there were many distractions that she would not have at home. "There are a lot of people who live on campus just to party, and that can be very disturbing and distracting to the rest of us," she said.

Rebekah was an English Education major and a Teaching Fellow, which gave her the opportunity to pursue her desire to make a difference in the lives of children. This same desire to help children was the foundation of her platform as the reigning Ms. Lumbee. Said Rebekah, "I travel throughout

North Carolina, as well as the United States, as a Lumbee tribal representative. As Ms. Lumbee, I emphasize to children the importance of elders and relations. I also help children who have been physically/mentally abused."

And if that didn't keep her busy enough, Rebekah also owned and operated her own nonprofit organization known as "Rebekah's Ribbons," which made and sold baskets and gift items to raise money for a missionary in the Philippines.

Rebekah felt UNCP offered "lots of activities and opportunities for involvement." But when asked about the name change, Rebekah replied,

"Changing the name . . . may have added a little more prestige . . . but I don't agree with it. PSU—the name, the idea, the history—is a part of Native American history and shouldn't have been changed."

Christina Garrett



Crystal Ann Locklear
Pembroke



Kimberly Mae Locklear
Pembroke



Lacinda Locklear
Pembroke



Tisha Locklear
Pembroke



Melissa Lovin
Lumberton



Tom McCaffrey
Fayetteville



Heather Marie McPherson
Laurinburg



Dean Medford
Waynesville



Erin Methvin
Ocean Isle Beach

Balancing Act

Alisha Mansell was proof that working and attending school could be done successfully if you just managed your time well. Alisha worked eighteen hours a week at the Burger King here in Pembroke. When not working, she studied hard to obtain a degree in Elementary Education; she planned to teach third graders. "I love working with kids," said Alisha, and her interest in children could be seen in the community, where she tried to teach elementary school children about Native American heritage. Alisha also taught five-year-olds at her church.

Alisha was from the nearby town of Hope Mills, which she described as "very rural with a cozy atmosphere." A resident student, but only for the fall semester. Alisha felt that dorm life had made her more independent, but she missed her loved ones at home. The one positive aspect of dorm life for Alisha was that you did not really need a car; almost everything you needed was either on campus or within walking distance.

Alisha chose to attend UNCP because of an earlier

experience in 1992, when she was chosen out of ten Native American students in Cumberland County to attend camp here. Alisha felt that UNCP was a "real up close and personal" campus with caring teachers. Her favorite professor was Pete Wish, because "even though physical science is not interesting, he makes it interesting."

Alisha found few faults with UNCP, but felt that "parking violations are given out too quickly with no reason for justification." The most helpful office at UNCP, according to Alisha, was the Student Support Service. If she could change something about UNCP, she would make the girls' dorms bigger because "girls have more stuff." Speaking of changes, Alisha felt the UNCP name change would make attendance grow in the coming years. Hopefully, included in this growth would be a much-needed football team.

Alisha has noticed the stereotypical college students around her, who lived for that Thursday night party. Some advice Alisha had was to "watch out how much you party, or you'll party your life away."

Linda Hunt

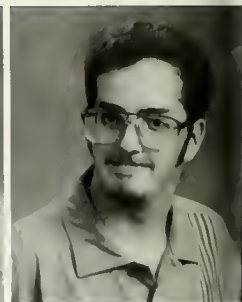


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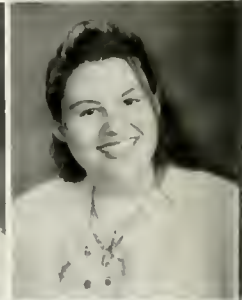
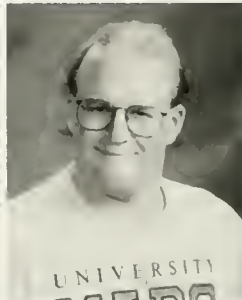


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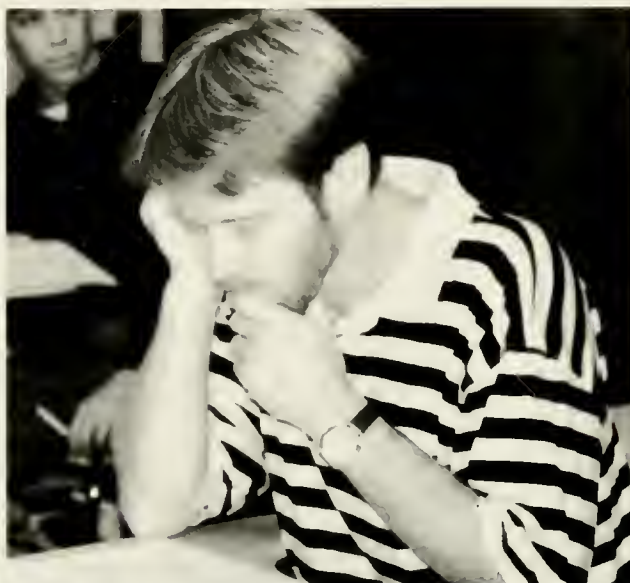
*Brent Smith
Raleigh*





FRANCES HITCHER finds a peaceful spot in the Quad to study for her next class.

RINDY JORDAN concentrates in his CMA 105 class. He is one of an increasing number of first-year students who are somewhat older than the traditional 18-year-old freshman just out of high school.



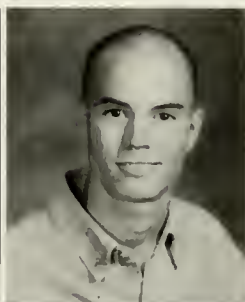
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Erica Studebaker
Wilmington



Demetrus Sutton
Godwin



Elizabeth Tapp
Laurinburg



William Wandell
Lumberton



Julia Whittington
Lumberton



Joseph Woodlief
Winston Salem

HON. CHARLIE ROSE, Chancellor Oxendine, and Dr. Mary Boyles await the start of the groundbreaking ceremony for the library addition. Rep. Rose used the occasion to announce that he would donate his Congressional archives to the UNCP library.



CHANCELLOR OXENDINE SPEAKS with Dr. Robert Britton and Dr. J. Griffin Campbell as they prepare for their performance of Walt Whitman's "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloomed," which took place in Moore Hall in November.



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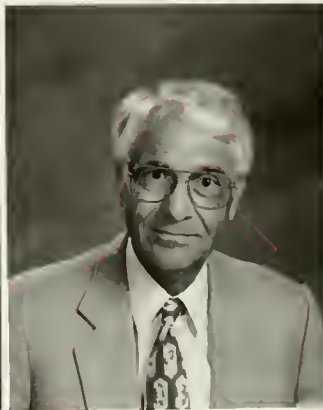
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Administrators

The administrators of UNCP were able to see the "fruits of their labor" this year. It was through their dedicated efforts to see the former Pembroke State University become more widely recognized that we are now known as The University of North Carolina Pembroke.

Their remarkable efforts are sure to be applauded by both students and faculty. We have always been honored and proud to be associated with this university, and, with

the new UNCP title, that pride has been elevated. We all can look forward to the advantages of an association with an institution such as this one. So we tip our new UNCP

caps to all our administrators, who continue to diligently strive to see this university succeed and grow simultaneously in stature and prominence. They have kept our best interest at

heart and have ensured that an education at UNCP will be one to be remembered.



DR. DIANE JONES has an animated conversation with Teresa Cummings during the campus Christmas party.

DR. JAMES CHAVIS, Ms. Sandy Stratil, and Cynthia Lamb find a shady spot to talk before the entertainment begins on Pembroke Day.

Faculty and Staff

The faculty members of UNCP continued this year to demonstrate their goal of being there to provide knowledge and insight to students before and after class hours. The biggest reason that many students chose UNCP was because of the individual attention and show of concern from faculty that would leave a lasting impression.

Although the faculty's commitment to the students remained the same, some of the faces were different. The end of the Spring 1996 semester brought the retirement of Drs. Robert Romine and Bill Fritz of the Music Dept., Dr. John Rimberg of the Sociology Dept. and Dr. Dalton Brooks of the Physical Science Dept. Drs. David and Elizabeth Kuo, longtime faculty members in the Biology and Geography Depts., retired at the end of the 1996 Summer Session, and other faculty members—including two profiled in this section—were scheduled to retire during the 1996-97 academic year.

Their places were filled by new professors equally dedicated to serving students' needs, but they would long remain in the memories of those students whose lives they had touched during their years at PSU/UNCP.

Complementing the efforts of the faculty, the UNCP staff worked very hard to create a beautiful, safe, and functioning environment for everyone. Without our diligent staff, many of the pleasures we took for granted would not have been possible. The presence of our staff was essential in keeping UNCP running smoothly. This became especially apparent in September, when Hurricane Fran hit the campus. Staff members worked throughout the weekend to clear downed trees and make repairs so that things could return to normal as quickly as possible. On behalf of the students of UNCP we would like to express our gratitude to the faculty and staff for all that they have done to make our time here a little more comforting.



LIBRARY STAFF MEMBER Cindy Saylor speaks to an interested listener at the information fair during the Admissions office's November open house

JANETTAYLOR OF the Alumni Relations office discusses the new UNCP license plate with one of her co-workers during Pembroke Day.





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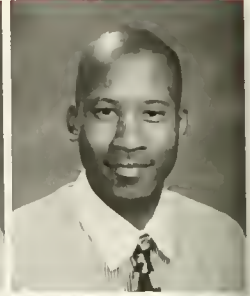


DR. OSCAR PATTERSON III,
Director of Telecommunications
and Broadcasting professor,
crosses the Quad to return to his
office in Old Main.

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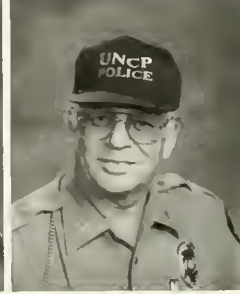
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Larry D. McNeill
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Cynthia K. Oxendine
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Sabrina A. Oxendine
Information Assistant, Student Activities

Alec Price
Dean of Students



UNIVERSITY POLICE CHIEF David Helton and Officer Larry McNeill take time out from their security duties to enjoy the campus Christmas party in the University Center.



Enthusiasm and Pride

Glen Burnette, Director of Alumni Relations, truly had an affinity for this area and this university in particular. His enthusiasm for and pride in this institution were evident to all those who came into contact with him.

Burnette, who was raised in Fairmont, earned his undergraduate degree here, at what was then Pembroke State University, in 1980; in 1988, he also received his master's degree from PSU. He and his wife of 10 years (also a PSU graduate) both began careers with the public school system. Burnette worked for the public schools of Robeson County for 8 years before returning to PSU as Director of Alumni Relations.

"I have the most exciting job at the University," Burnette said when describing his position. "We have an opportunity to interact with the University's largest constituency—the alumni!" Burnette added that the alumni are this institution's most loyal ambassadors. "Our mission here at the Office of Alumni Relations is to offer alumni opportunities to get involved in the university through giving and volunteer support," he said.

Burnette went on to say that the office also has developed, over the past two years, programs and activities for students. Alumni Relations sponsors a Senior Brunch, a Teacher Education Dinner, a graduate school reception, and a reception for recipients of RN-BSN degrees. And of course, there's Homecoming. "Research tells us that the better the experience people have as students, the more likely they are to get involved in the Alumni Association after graduation," Burnette noted.



Burnette was very positive about the name change. "Alumni in general are very enthusiastic about the future," he stated. "The name change," he added, "fully ties us to the UNC system." Alumni Relations offered alumni a commemorative certificate to acknowledge the new name.

In addition to his work at Alumni Relations, Burnette pressed on with his education; he looked forward to receiving his doctorate in Higher Education Administration in May of 1997. With perseverance and enthusiasm such as Burnette possesses, UNCP will surely continue its progress to higher levels of excellence in years to come.

Karen Butler



JOANNE ZUKOWSKI, DIRECTOR of the Regional Center for Economic, Community, and Professional Development, joins other staff members entering the GPAC for Fall Convocation. In the background, University Photographer Bobby Ayers gets ready to photograph the event.

BERTINE PRINE, FOR whom Bert's was named, is greeted by Chancellor Oxendine at Convocation. Before retiring in 1991, she served as assistant to many of the university's chief executives.

EMMA EVANS ALWAYS greets visitors to the Freshman Composition office with a smile; she also served as secretary for the Teaching Fellows office.



LISA LEWIS SCHAEFFER, Director of the Career Center, chats with Abdul Ghaffar, Assistant Director of Student Activities, during the campus Christmas party.



New Admissions

Jackie Clark, a member of the UNCP family for nearly eight years, was named the new Director of the Office of Admissions in July. "I am thrilled to be working with such a wonderful Admissions staff at a premier UNC school," she said of her new position.

Clark, a university alumna who obtained her master's degree from Campbell University, was also working on her doctorate at NC State. She had a diverse educational and professional background to draw upon in her new position. Formerly the coordinator for the university's Title III Development Grant and the Americans with Disabilities Act, Clark orchestrated campus workshops at the local, state and national levels and had several years' experience in efforts to promote self-esteem, positive thinking, time management and multicultural counseling.

By the start of the Fall 1996 semester, Clark had implemented several changes within the Admissions office, including the assignment of specific territories to recruitment counselors and the development of a comprehensive strategy to improve the working rapport between UNCP and area high schools.

During the fall, the Admissions office began a new program called Visit Pembroke Month, in which about 50 high school students participated. Attendance at November's open house for high school students was, according to Clark, "outstanding—the highest in recent years." Her office was kept busy with a high volume of requests for information and applications. Some of the interest, she said, might be attributed to the name change, but it was also due to the very hard work of the dedicated Admissions staff.



Clark lived in Lumberton with her husband, Dexter Clark, a JROTC instructor with the Public Schools of Robeson County. They had two daughters, Jessica and Tara. An active member of Mt. Airy Baptist Church, she was president of the Lumberton Marching Pirate Band Fan Board and served on the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association WMC Council, the Lumberton Community Relations Commission, and the NC Teaching Fellows Regional Screening Committee. She also served as a community health educator for HIV/AIDS through the Center for Community Action in Lumberton and was a member of several national professional organizations.



DON GERSH, DIRECTOR of University Relations, unveils WNCN-TV's new call letters and logo during the July celebration of the university's new name.



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Teresa Rogers
Office Assistant, Counseling and Testing

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Assistant Director, Counseling and Testing



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THEATRE PROFESSOR CHET Jordan, Psychology professor Patrick Cabe, and other faculty members process into the GPAC for Fall Convocation.



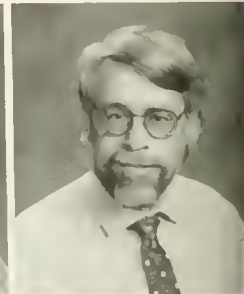
DR. HAROLD TEAGUE of the Physical Science Department visits with Santa (aka Warren Love) during the Christmas party in the University Center.



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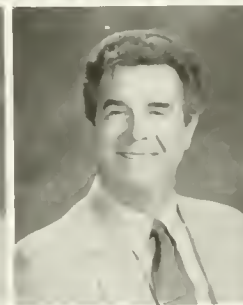
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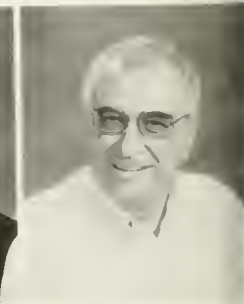
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Associate Professor, Philosophy and Religion

Greta M. Hawthorne
Coordinator of Field Instruction, Social Work

Chester I. Jordan
Professor, Communicative Arts





SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT CHAIR Dr. John Bowman provides information on programs offered by his department to interested high school students during the Open House held by Admissions in November 1996.

A Man for All Seasons

Dr. Douglas Norman, Associate Professor of Communicative Arts, retired at the end of the Spring 1997 semester after eight years with the university. Originally a newspaper man, Dr. Norman began his career as an editor, reporter and photographer for various newspapers, including the *Nashville Banner*. He later took a position as Director of Public Relations and Special Assistant to the Executive Vice President at the University of Tennessee. In 1986, Dr. Norman opted to retire, but within a year he was back at work as a communications consultant with the Peace Corps. He spent two years in the Republic of Liberia, Africa, an experience he was often able to draw on for classroom lectures.

In 1989, Dr. Norman joined the faculty of the then Pembroke State University, teaching classes in mass communications, journalism, public relations and copy editing and serving as an advisor to Public Relation majors.

Dr. Norman has written many papers over the years. "I'm proud of the fact that at last count, I had presented seventeen research papers, most at national and international conferences," he remarked, while here at UNCP. Dr. Norman received the Distinguished Case Award for a study of ABC's *Prime Time Live* coverage of Food Lion. Dr. Norman described

this as one of his most memorable experiences of his tenure. "Receiving the Distinguished Case Award," he said, "was a distinct honor for me and the university."

Dr. Norman also had four journal articles published and even developed a journalism course with an accompanying manual published by the University of Tennessee. "I

believe that teachers of writing should themselves write for publication," he stated.

When asked what he will miss the most after he leaves UNCP, Dr. Norman said that he will miss the association with the students. "It's been enjoyable and they've kept me young," he said.

His future plans included a move to the hill country of western Texas near San Antonio, so he and Mildred, his wife of 44 years, could be nearer to their only granddaughter, Rachael. Beyond that they planned to do much traveling, beginning with a trip to Australia.

Dr. Norman consistently made himself available for questions and counsel. He motivated students in many ways, as his sole objective was to see students succeed in the classroom.

Many will miss his teasing and that dry sense of humor. He had a good rapport with the students of UNCP and in turn they responded. Though his retirement was a loss for the student body of UNCP, they wished Dr. Norman and his wife the very best.

Karen Butler



A Long and Lasting Bond

He was, in a word, ambitious. "Raised, the middle of three sons, on a small farm in northeastern Kansas," Dr. Raymond J. Rundus first attended and graduated from a small, one-room country school—whose enrollment was never more than a dozen students—near his home before attending a small, Presbyterian-affiliated college in Emporia. These "small" yet auspicious settings have served Dr. Rundus well, for his accomplishments as a student, teacher, and writer have been both commendable and numerous.

His career in education has been interrupted only once; after completing his master's degree at Wayne State University in Detroit, where he taught his first university classes before the age of twenty-one, Dr. Rundus served two-and-a-half years in a Signal Corps support company in Firmsens, Germany. While there, he met Brigitte (Billie), his loving wife and mother to their three children. He then returned to Kansas, teaching high school for five years before accepting a position at the College of Emporia, his undergraduate alma mater, in 1965.

Besides the one year period between 1967 and 1968, which was dedicated to Ph.D. work at the University of Nebraska, Dr. Rundus remained in Emporia where he served as both Chair of the English Department and Chair of the Senate before accepting another Chair position at Pembroke in 1970. He was immediately challenged upon his arrival; asked to "absorb" the Department of Speech and Drama, and, later, the Department of Foreign Languages, Dr. Rundus was instrumental in creating what is now the Communicative Arts Department at UNCP. Also, "for good or ill," he designed the first floor of Classroom North, and, with the help of an advisory committee, he helped to conceive and execute plans for the Audio-Visual Theater and the CMA Library, two well-used and appreciated resources in this building. Along with Dr. Robert Reising, he later hosted a successful series of English Education Conferences, the result of which was the NCTE's recognition of our English Education program as being "exemplary." These were but a few of Dr. Rundus's many accomplishments and contribu-

tions to our university.

One would think that, with retirement drawing near, Dr. Rundus would have begun to suppress at least some of his ambitious tendencies—nothing could be further from the truth. Said Dr. Rundus, "It is likely that I will attempt some journalistic writing and continue a fledgling career as a writer of light verse." His writing career, in fact, has been anything but "fledgling." His numerous writings include three publications for NCTE (the National Council of Teachers of English); frequent contributions to *Pembroke Magazine*; an article on Shakespeare's *The Winter's Tale* which was published in the prestigious *Shakespeare Quarterly*; and a book-length study on North Carolina native, Joseph Mitchell, which should be in print in the near future. Dr. Rundus was also exploring the possibility of becoming "a more permanent liaison" with Union Institute's Ph.D. program, a position which has already been "tentatively" offered.

Dr. Rundus's vacant seat at the head of the classroom will not be easily filled; he has been, and will continue to be, an inspiration to students and colleagues alike. He is definitely a "people person," as demonstrated by his

response when asked what he will remember about his years at Pembroke:

What I will most remember about my twenty-six-and-a-half years at Pembroke, ten years or so down the road, will be people. The buildings don't mean a lot, the paper will crumble, the curriculum will continue to evolve and occasionally improve, but I will not soon forget those colleagues with whom I have shared so much and from whom I have learned greatly. And, most of all, I will remember some students, those especially whom I failed at times when they were also failing themselves and those also with whom I have formed a long and lasting bond of mutual admiration and a special kind of affection.

We will remember you as well, Dr. Rundus, and, since ambition inevitably leads to success in most everything you attempt, we will only wish you luck in the one area where luck is sometimes an undeniable factor—your golf game.

Tom Espey



DR. RICHARD VELA, Dr. Ray Rundus, and other faculty, students and guests listen attentively during a poetry reading in September in honor of Dr. Shelby Stephenson.





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Associate Professor, Social Work

C. Douglas Norman
Associate Professor, Communicative Arts



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Lecturer, Communicative Arts

Jay S. Rozema
Lecturer, Communicative Arts

Raymond J. Rundus
Professor, Communicative Arts



Alfred M. Sheffield
Lecturer, Communicative Arts

David P. Thaggard
Assistant Director, Performing Arts Center

Mitchell Tyler
Director, School and Program Services, Education



EDUCATION PROFESSOR
ZOE Locklear and Chancellor Oxendine arrive at the University Center for the September 11 celebration of the university's new name.

GEOGRAPHY PROFESSOR
ELIZABETH Kuos speaks with Dr. Don Little before the May 1996 Commencement, the last she would be attending before retiring at the end of the 1996 Summer Session.

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All Things Must Come to an End

Most freshmen, upon beginning their college careers, had no idea what lay ahead of them or for that matter what they wanted to do with their lives. As time went by the possibilities seemed endless as to what could happen and where it would take them.

Gradually, however, things began to fall into place. We started taking charge; no longer would we be led around aimlessly. We were ready to move on with our lives, ready to take on the world.

For most graduating seniors, the world is wide open to you. Make sure you remember all the lessons you learned on your way to this place in time, for you will need them if you are to imagine all the possibilities out there waiting for you to grab.

GRADUATION IS THE time for students to celebrate, give thanks to the family and friends who helped make it happen, and imagine the possibilities that lie in store for the future.





ONE STEP IN the graduation process is the purchase of a class ring, and this student is choosing one as a memento of her college years.

STARING OUT OF a window in Old Main, Barbara Rubino wonders what the world has to offer her when she graduates.



PATRICIA HAMMONDS, Christina Johnson, and Tawanna Torrain celebrate their birthday together.



Finally . . . For Now

As the year wound down a sigh of relief was let out. Although the year was full of stress and anxiety for many students, that had changed to euphoria. Many of those familiar faces we had known would be leaving us. Finding the perfect graduation ring and preparing for the future were main priorities now with graduation close at hand.

Satisfaction of another year completed helped students move on. At least for a short time we could relax and not worry about tests, homework, grades, and getting up early. These times were bittersweet for many of us. Moving from the known to the unknown could be a scary experience, but we were ready to "imagine the possibilities."



SENIOR TONI LOFTON makes her way to Classroom North, which is just one of the many stops in her busy schedule.

CHANCELLOR JOSEPH B. OXENDINE and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs **James B. Chavis** take part in the first-ever UNCP Homecoming Parade.

Diverse Changes

The diversity exemplified on our campus was just one of the many things that made our university unique. It also provided an atmosphere open to change. During the past year we have acquired a new name, additions to the library and the Business Administration Building, and a new fast food restaurant. We are moving with full speed towards the 21st century. We are accepting each other and the changes with great understanding and enthusiasm.

We have gone beyond imagining the possibilities into making them reality. We have left our mark forever on The University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

GETTING OUT OF classevokes different reactions from different students, but these people all express their joy to be out of the classroom at last.

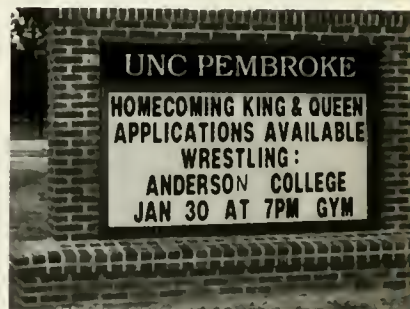


KIM DAVIS AND her Tri-Sigma sisters (above) check their float's sign to make sure it's on straight for the parade; this commuter* (right) smiles as she heads home; Susan Meadows and Ronald Harper (center) share a hug at the library; these three guys (far right) enjoy relaxing on a bench on a nice, warm day.





Work In Progress . . .



Work on the library expansion (top) continues during the spring, on schedule for completion in the fall. Off campus, construction is also under way on a new KFC (middle) to join the other fast-food outlets that have located in Pembroke over the past few years. The University Center hasn't changed, but its signboard (bottom), which still bore the PSU name at the start of the year (see page 8) has changed to UNCP.

At the beginning of the year, I knew that I had big shoes to fill after the graduation of our previous editor, Allison Alvarez, but I hoped that with my experience I would be able to help lead this book into what Johnnie Winchester and I had envisioned it to be. I have now come to the conclusion that outside forces do the leading and that we are just along for the ride.

I was joined along the way by some very dedicated people. Advisor Sara Oswald put endless hours of her time into our production. I'd like to give her a heartfelt thank you for all that she's taught me and for her support throughout the years. I'd also like to express a heartfelt thanks to my Co-Editor-in-Chief Johnnie Winchester and to Karen Butler, Stacey Honeycutt, and Jennifer Watson, who worked hard to complete the book. To the rest of the production staff, photography staff, and CMA classes who offered their talents, thanks for your time and energy. I would also like to thank Bobby Ayers for his willingness to help with our photo needs. Finally, I would like to thank my family, friends, and especially Aaron for putting up with me throughout the trials and tribulations of producing the book, whether meeting deadlines or scrambling to get that last picture. You're just great for being there.

Beverly A. Ransome

Well, it's been quite an experience, not only helping to see that *Imagine the Possibilities* was completed but being on the *Indianhead* staff these past four years. The minute I was selected as assistant editor in the middle of my freshman year, I knew that if I decided to stay on the staff I might eventually have to follow in the footsteps of Allison Alvarez. The co-editor-in-chief concept allowed me to share this responsibility with Beverly Ransome, who has been on the staff just as long as I have.

To keep us from losing it, we had the guidance of Ms. Sara Oswald, who was the "glue" and most of the time the other things that held the book together. Thank you, Jennifer Watson, Karen Butler, and Stacey Honeycutt, who not only worked hard on their sections but on the rest of the book as well. Thank you to the rest of the staff members who chose to help us. Thank you, Bobby Ayers, for providing the photos we needed in crucial situations. Thanks to my mom, who is and will always be my hero, even though she cannot dunk a basketball or sell a million albums in one week. David and Marsha, thanks for being such good friends and for forgiving me for not having an activity period to hang out with you two and the rest of my friends. And thank you, Dr. Dennis Sigmon, for telling me to sign up for yearbook back in your CMA 105 class during my first semester here.

Johnnie Winchester



MEETING DEADLINES is never easy. Pictured left to right from above: Kim Callihan and Dorothy Blowe review contact sheets to select photos; things begin to blur for advisor Sara Oswald as the year progresses; Co-Editor Johnnie Winchester has a few minutes to relax between group photo sessions in the University Center; Co-Editor Beverly Ransome ponders the possibilities during a staff meeting.



THE YEARBOOK STAFF is always hard at work. Pictured clockwise from center: Teresa Cummings works on copy for the Academics section; Stacey Honeycutt contemplates possible ideas for another layout for the Student Life section; Karen Butler is happy that it's December and the People section is *almost* finished; Sheri McArthur listens as Jennifer Watson reviews photo assignments with the staff; Tom Espey reads over his notes on the fall student art exhibit he photographed.



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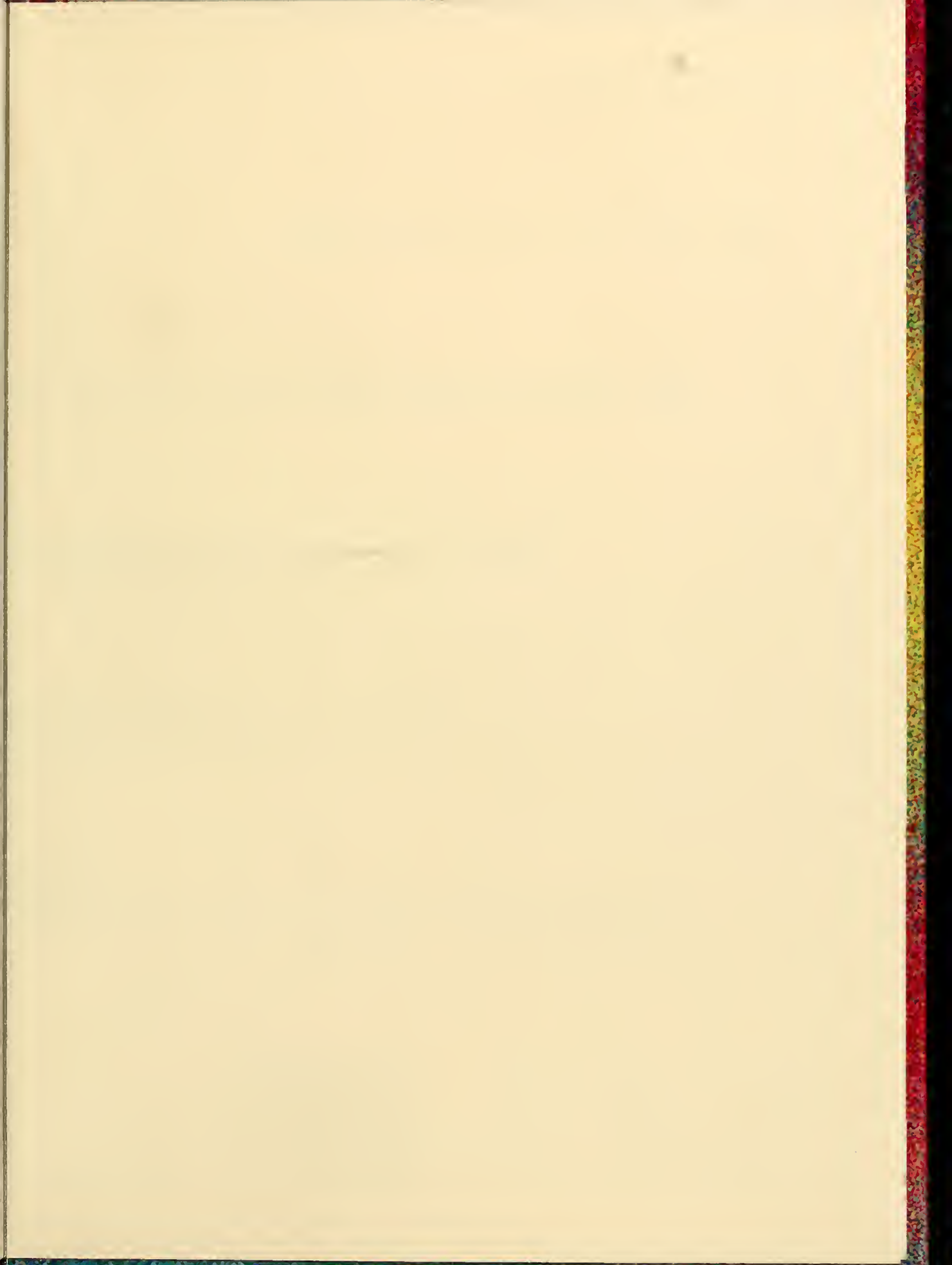
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This year is finally over. Seniors were preparing for their final days before graduation. Some students looked forward to summer vacation, while others had summer school to look forward to. Let's face it, the time has come for us to go our separate ways, at least for awhile. We have attempted to imagine the possibilities that UNCP has to offer; now it's your turn to imagine the possibilities that life has to offer you!



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